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INTRODUCTION

In the early 2000s I had an idea about bringing the granny square out of the 1970s, updating it, and creating new and interesting projects with all the new and fabulous yarns that we have today. I was full of enthusiasm for my idea and worked hard on a proposal, only to have it rejected as “passé.” I filed away the proposal and went on to other things. I met Creative Publishing international and after doing about ten books for them, my editor asked if I had any new ideas. I answered, very tongue in cheek, “I’m out of ideas, unless you want a ten-year-old proposal that has already been rejected once.” Linda Neubauer replied, “Let me see it,” and *The Granny Square Book* was born. The book has been very successful, thanks to CPi for believing in my idea and turning it into such a beautiful book; and to all of you, my faithful readers. Not long afterward, a second book, *Granny Square Flowers*, “bloomed.” It’s hard to believe, but crocheters’ love of the granny square has survived and continues to thrive.

Granny square blankets are a perennial favorite. They can be crocheted to fit any décor, and they make heartwarming gifts. In this book I’ll show you how any single square can be used to crochet several blankets with totally different looks. Changing color schemes, yarn types, and arrangements of the squares are only the beginning. Distinctive borders and edge finishes multiply the possibilities. A wide range of yarns and fibers have been used for the blankets, which demonstrates how wonderfully versatile the granny square can be. For every blanket, the specific brands and colors are listed in case you want to make your blanket exactly like mine. I have used everything from baby weight to bulky yarns to create really interesting looks.

Getting the exact gauge is not absolutely necessary for a blanket, and you can change yarn weight and hooks to create your own look; just be aware that the finished size of each blanket will be different if you make these changes, and you may also need different amounts of yarn.

I hope that you enjoy this book and have fun adding your own special touches to make each blanket your own.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Margaret". The script is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.



SQUARE ONE

FERRIS WHEEL

Skill Level: Beginner

Made with 1 color.

Ch 8, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 15 dc in ring, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

RND 2: Ch 5 (counts as 1 dc, ch 2), (1 dc, ch 2) in each dc around, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5—16 ch-2 sps.

RND 3: Sl st in first ch-2 sp, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch-2 sp around, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3—16 ch-1 sps.

RND 4: Sl st to first ch-1 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, *(ch 3, 1 sc) in each of next 3 sps, ch 6**, 1 sc in next sp, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in first sc—12 ch-3 sps, 4 ch-6 sps.

RND 5: Sl st in first ch-3 sp, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, 3 dc in each of next 2 ch-3 sps, *(5 dc, ch 3, 5 dc) in next ch-6 sp**, 3 dc in each of next 3 ch-3 sps, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3—76 dc, 4 ch-3 sps.

RND 6: Ch 3, *1 dc in each dc to corner, (1 dc, ch 3, 1 dc) in next ch-2 sp, rep from * around, 1 dc in each dc to end, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3—82 dc, 4 ch-3 sps.

Fasten off.

BLANKET: 1

candy stripes

Have fun creating stripes and polka dots and mixing up colors to create this fun, lively blanket. Yarn is 100 percent washable wool, making it warm, cozy, and easy to care for.



Yarn:

Cascade 220 superwash, 100% washable wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 220 yd (200 m): 5 skeins #887 Wasabi (A), 3 skeins #825 Orange (B), and 3 skeins #901 Cotton Candy (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 5" × 5" (12.5 × 12.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 40" × 46" (101.5 × 117 cm)

Skill Level: Beginner

SQUARES

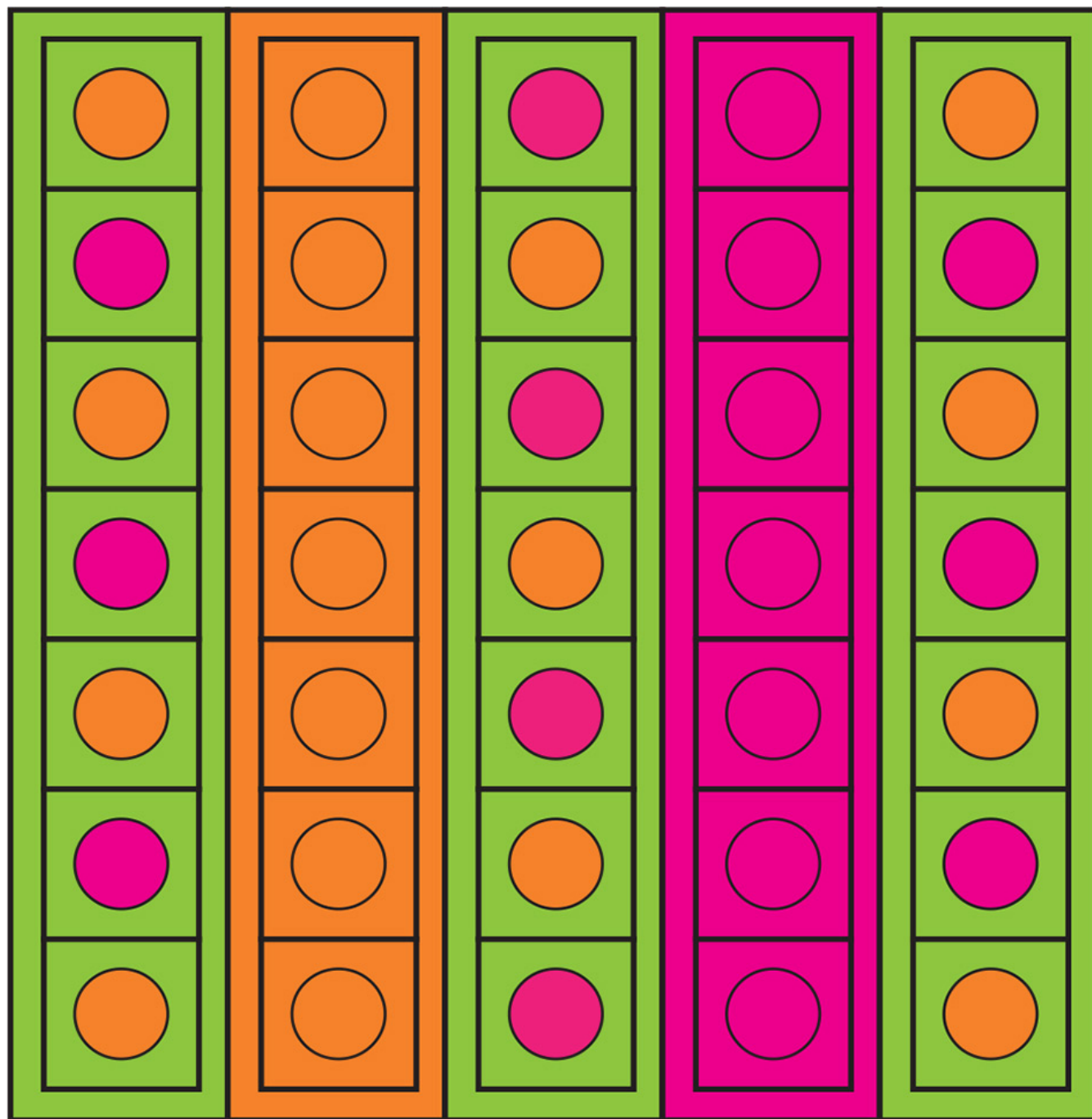
Make 35 Ferris Wheel squares in the following color sequences.

Solid squares: Make 7 using A, and 7 using C.

Bicolor squares: Make 10 using C for Rnds 1, 2, and 3, and A for Rnds 4, 5, and 6. Make 11 using B for Rnds 1, 2, and 3, and A for Rnds 4, 5, and 6.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares into 5 strips, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following the Assembly Diagram. Don't sew the strips together yet.



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

Color Key



= Wasabi



= Orange



= Cotton Candy

STRIP EDGING

Note: When working the first rnd of edging, always work 1 dc in the corner sp of each individual square, and 1 dc in seam st.

Work edging around each strip as follows: Use C to edge strip C, use B to edge strip B, use A to edge remaining 3 strips.

RND 1: With RS facing, join yarn with a Sl st in bottom right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 6 (counts as a dc, ch 3 here and throughout), dc in same sp (corner made), *dc in each st across to next corner**, (dc, ch 3, dc) in corner sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6.

RND 2: Sl st in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 6, dc in same sp, *dc in each st across to next corner**, (dc, ch 3, dc) in corner sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-5. Fasten off.

Sew strips together, following Assembly Diagram for placement.

BLANKET EDGING

RND 1: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in bottom right corner, ch 6, dc in same sp, *dc in each st across to next corner**, (dc, ch 3, dc) in corner sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-5.

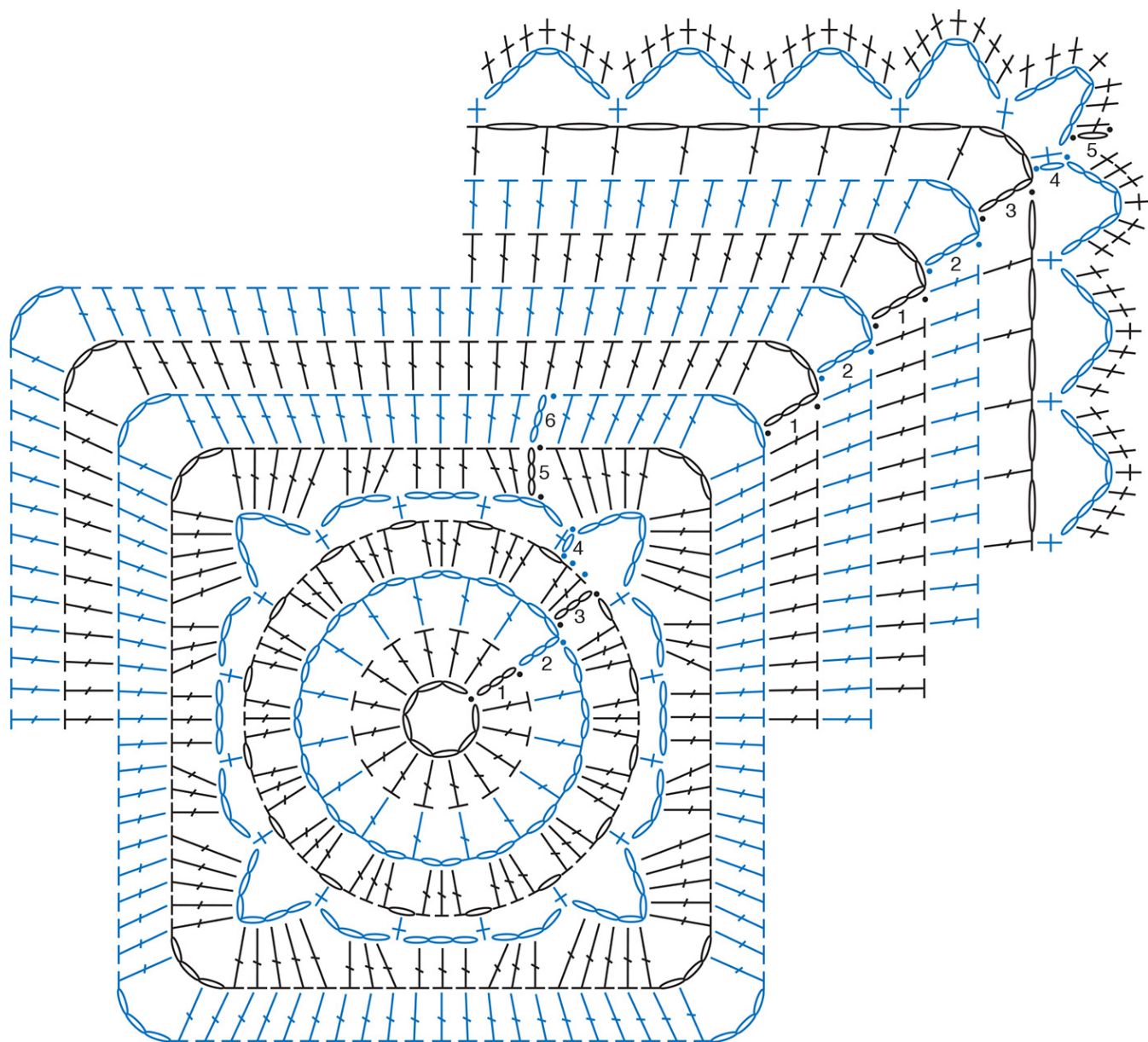
RND 2: Sl st in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 6, dc in same sp, *dc in each st across to next corner**, (dc, ch 3, dc) in corner sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-5. Fasten off A.

RND 3: With C, rep Rnd 2. Fasten off C.

RND 4: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in bottom right corner sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 7, sc) in corner sp, *ch 7, sk next dc, sc in next dc, rep from * across to next corner, (sc, ch 7, sc) in corner sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off B.

RND 5: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in bottom right-hand corner ch-7 sp, ch 1, work 7 sc in each ch-7 sp around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off A.





BLANKET: 2

sensational stripes

The Ferris Wheel square, when made in solid colors and joined to form bold stripes, creates a very contemporary look. Add a braided edge to complete the blanket. The yarn used is a 100 percent anti-pilling acrylic, which is soft and luxurious to the touch.



Yarn:

Universal Uptown worsted, 100% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 180 yd (165 m): 2 skeins #314 Lime (A), 2 skeins #313 Sage (B), 2 skeins #315 Hunter Green (C), 2 skeins #339 Purple Panic (D), 2 skeins #332 Plum (E), 2 skeins #333 Purple Iris (F), and 2 skeins #320 Eggplant (G)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 7" × 7" (18 × 18 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 51" × 58" (129.5 × 147.5 cm)

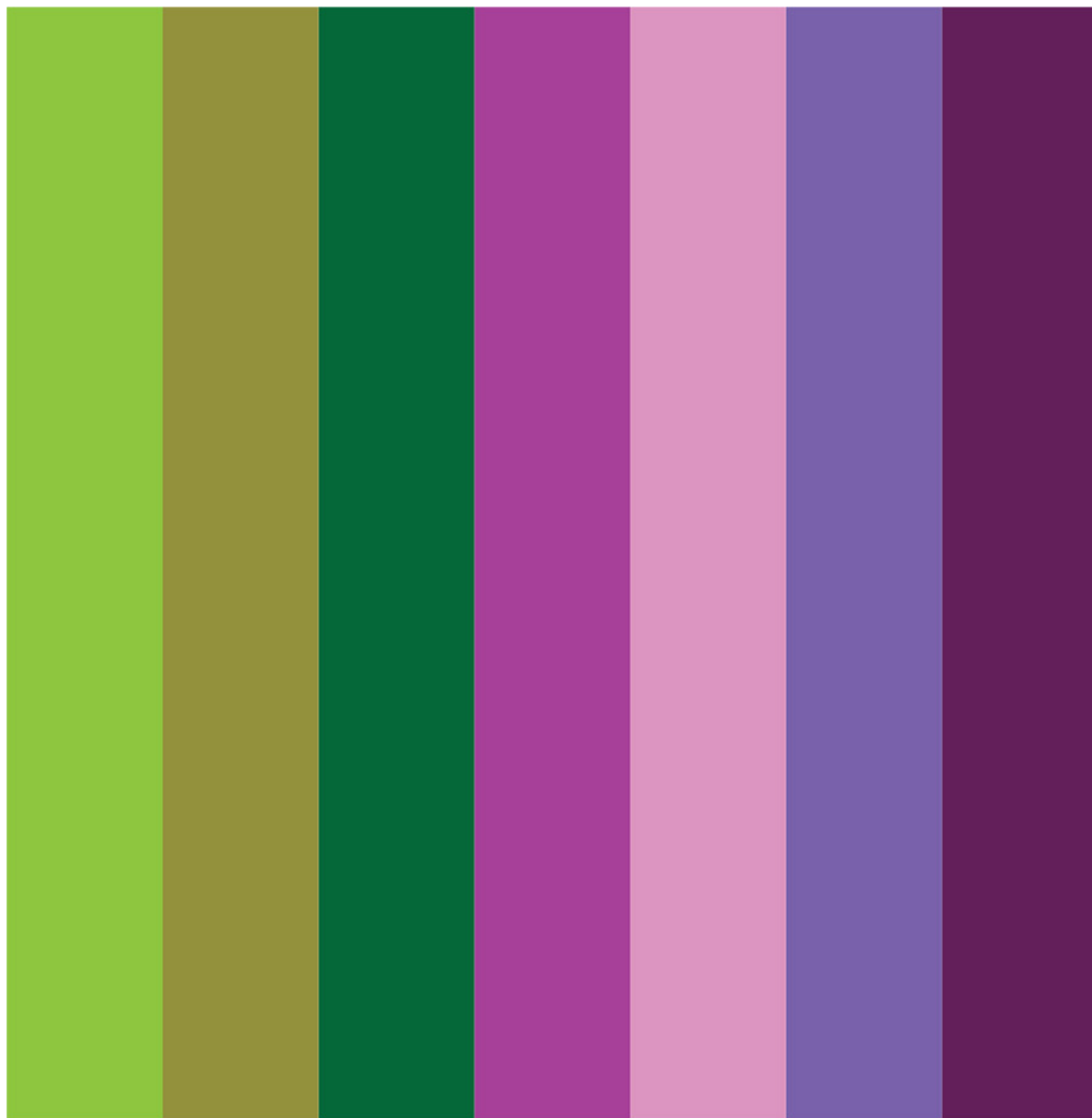
Skill Level: Beginner

SQUARES

Make 8 Ferris Wheel squares in each color.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together in one strip of each color using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)). Then whipstitch strips together following the Assembly Diagram.



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

Color Key



= Lime



= Sage



= Hunter Green



= Purple Panic



= Plum



= Purple Iris



= Eggplant

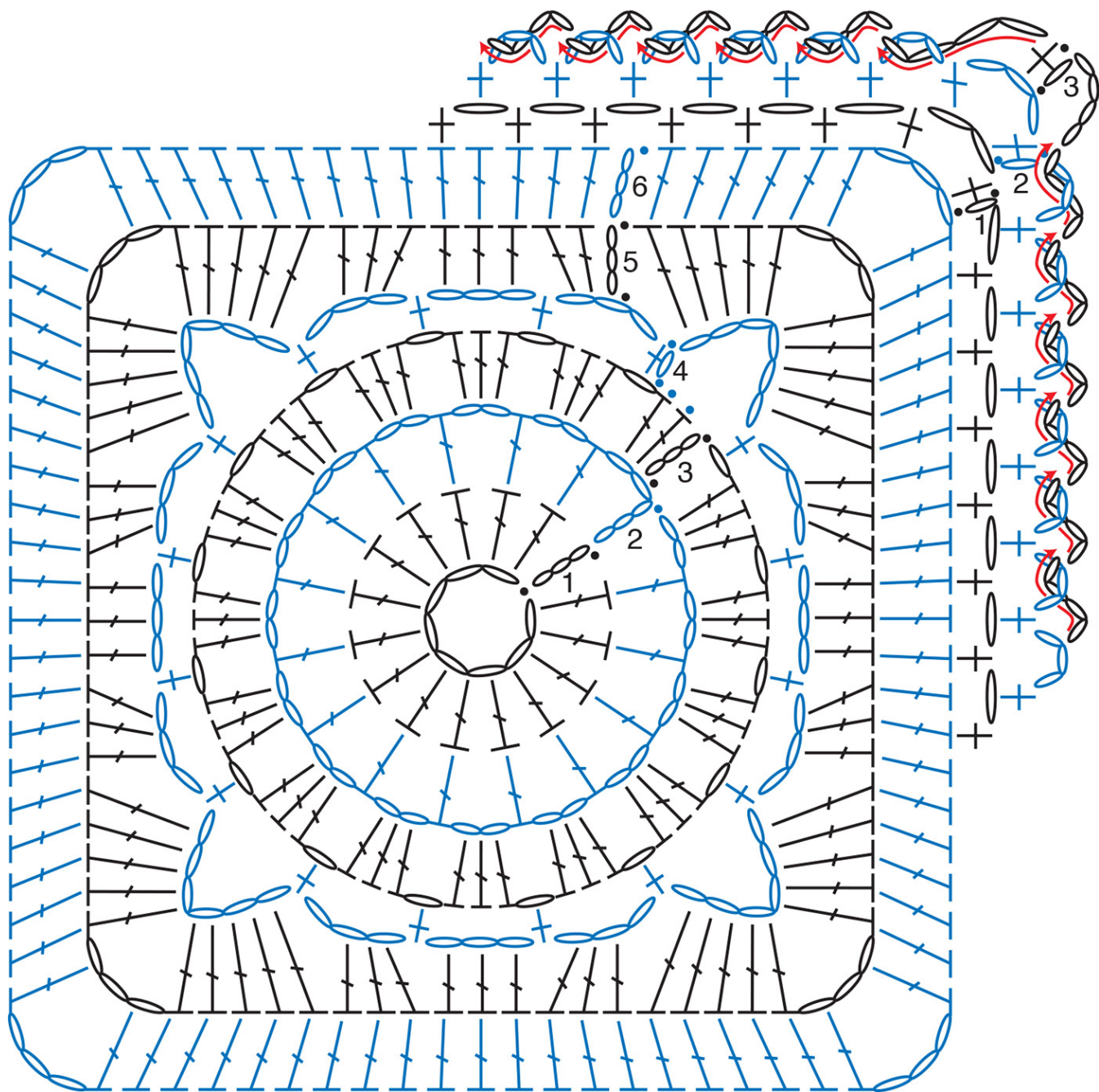
BORDER

RND 1: With RS facing, join E with SI st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, *(sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-3 space, [ch 1, sk next dc, sc in next dc] 10 times, ch 1 **, sc in ch-3 space, skip the seam, ch 1, sc in next ch-3 space, rep from * across to next corner, ending last rep at **, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off E.

RND 2: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in last corner ch-2 space, ch 1, *(sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-2 space, [ch 3, sc in next ch-1 space] across to next corner, ch 3, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off A.

RND 3: With RS facing, join G in last corner ch-3 space, ch 1, sc in corner ch-3 space, *ch 4, drop lp from hook, insert hook under the next ch-3 sp of previous rnd, pick up dropped lp and draw through the ch-3 lp, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off G.





BLANKET: 3

kaleidoscope

The Ferris Wheel square can be made in a solid color, or create an entirely different look by changing center colors, and placing the squares in different patterns to form your blanket.



Yarn:

Lion Brand Vanna's Choice, 100% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 170 yd (156 m): 4 skeins #142 Rose (A), 4 skeins #144 Magenta (B), 4 skeins #146 Dusty Purple (C), and 4 skeins #171 Fern (D)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = $7\frac{1}{2}" \times 7\frac{1}{2}"$ (19 × 19 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 50" × 50" (127 × 127 cm)

Skill Level: Beginner

SQUARES

Make 36 Ferris Wheel squares in the following color sequences:

Square A: Make 12, using B for Rnd 1, A for Rnds 2 and 3, C for Rnds 4 and 5, and D for Rnd 6.

Square B: Make 8, using D for Rnd 1, C for Rnds 2 and 3, A for Rnds 4 and 5, and D for Rnd 6.

Square C: Make 8, using D for Rnd 1, B for Rnds 2 and 3, C for Rnds 4 and 5, and D for Rnd 6.

Square D: Make 8, using A for Rnd 1, C for Rnds 2 and 3, and D for Rnds 4, 5, and 6.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

A	B	C	C	B	A
B	A	D	D	A	B
C	D	A	A	D	C
C	D	A	A	D	C
B	A	D	D	A	B
A	B	C	C	B	A

EDGING

Side puff: (You will be working over the bar of the dc just made) [yo, pick up a loop around post of dc just made] 3 times, yo, draw through 6 loops on hook, yo, draw through last 2 loops.

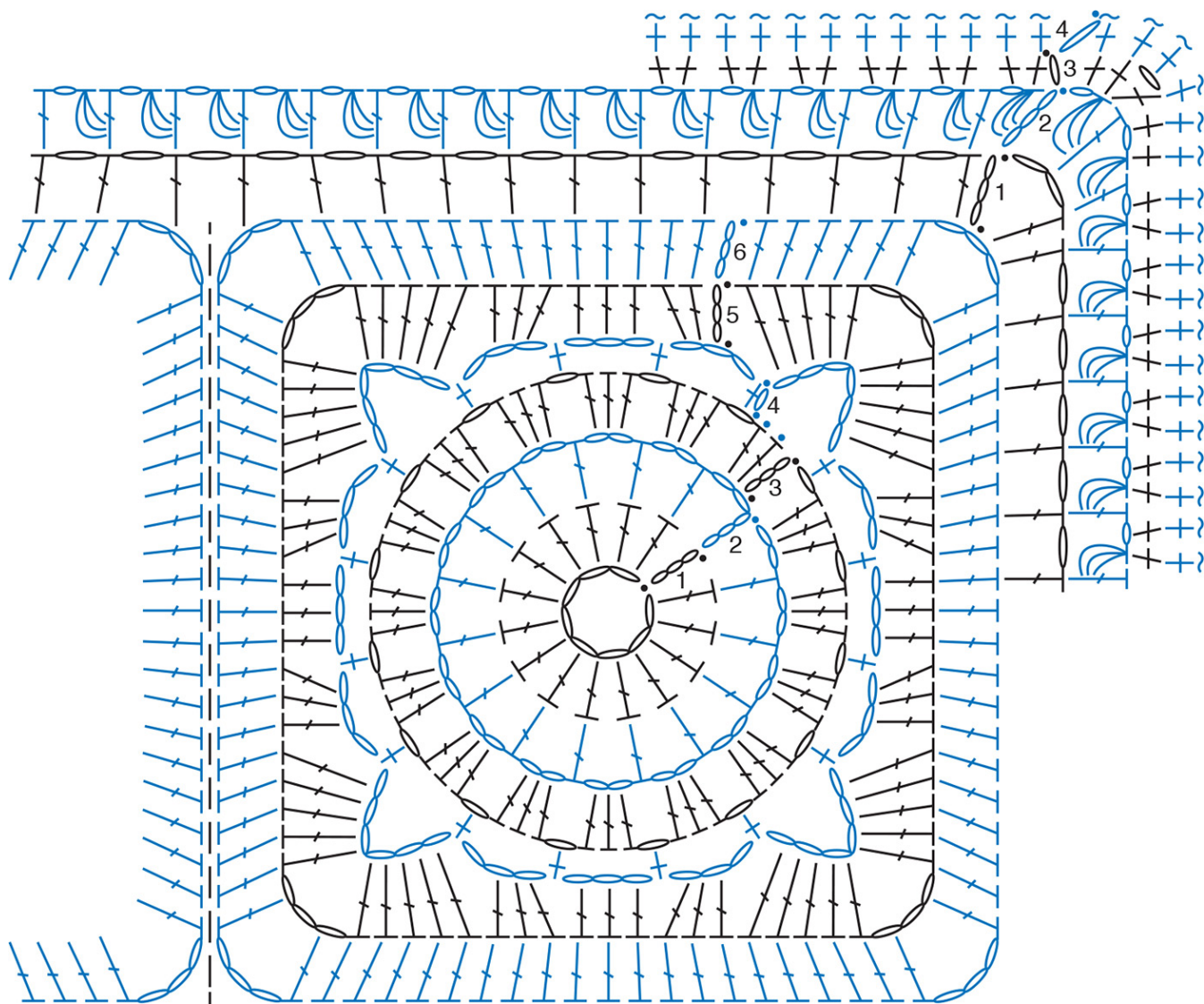
RND 1 (RS): Join D in top right-hand corner ch-3 space, ch 3 (counts as a dc here and throughout), dc in same space (half corner), *[ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc] 10 times, ch 1, sk next dc**, dc in next ch-3 space, ch 1, skip seam, dc in next ch-3 space, rep from * across top to next corner, ending at **, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner space, rep from * around, ending with 2 dc in same space as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st to top of beg ch-3. Fasten off D.

RND 2: With RS facing, join C in beg ch-3, ch 3, side puff over ch-3 just made, *dc in next dc, side puff over the dc just made, sk next ch-1 space, rep from * across to next corner, dc in next corner ch-2 space, side puff over the dc just made, rep from * around, join with a Sl st to top of beg ch-3, pull up D in loop. Fasten off C.

RND 3: With D, ch 1, *[sc in top of side puff, sc in next ch-1 space] across to corner side puff, (sc, ch 1, sc) in corner side puff, sc in next ch-1 space, rep from * 3 times, join with a Sl st in first sc, do not fasten off D.

RND 4: Ch 1, working from left to right, reverse sc in each st and space around. Fasten off.





SQUARE TWO

CELTIC CROSS

Skill Level: Intermediate

Made with 1 color.

Ch 6, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), work 15 dc into ring, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3—16 dc.

RND 2: Ch 3, 2 dc in same st, *ch 2, sk next dc, 1 dc in next dc, ch 2, sk next dc**, 3 dc in next dc, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

RND 3: Ch 3, *5 dc in next dc, 1 dc in next dc**, [ch 2, 1 dc in next dc] twice, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

RND 4: Ch 3, 1 dc in each of next 2 dc, *5 dc in next dc, 1 dc in each of next 3 dc, ch 2, 1 dc in next dc, ch 2**, 1 dc in each of next 3 dc, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

RND 5: Ch 3, 1 dc in each of next 4 dc, *5 dc in next dc, 1 dc in each of next 5 dc, ch 2, 1 dc in next dc, ch 2**, 1 dc in each of next 5 dc, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

RND 6: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), [sk next dc, 1 dc in next dc, ch 1] 3 times, *(1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc) in next st (corner made), *ch 1, 1 dc in next dc [ch 1, sk next dc, 1 dc in next dc] 3 times**, [ch 2, 1 dc in next dc] twice, [ch 1, sk next dc, 1 dc in next dc] 3 times, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, ch 2, 1 dc in next dc, ch 2, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4.

RND 7: Ch 3, 1 dc in next ch-1 sp, 2 dc in each of next 3 ch-1 sps, *(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp (corner made), 2 dc in each of next 4 ch-1 sps, 3 dc in each of next 2 ch-2 sps**, 2 dc in each of next 4 ch-1 sps, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3.

RND 8: Ch 1, starting in same st, 1 sc in each of first 11 dc, *(1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc) in next ch-2 sp (corner made), 1 sc in each of the next 28 dc, rep from * twice, 1 sc in each of next 17 dc, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

BLANKET: 4

jungle

If you love the mobility of working granny squares, love all the colors, but dislike changing colors and weaving in yarn tails, you will enjoy working with this multicolored, soft yarn that does all the work for you. Each square becomes a unique little work of art, edged with a solid color to frame it.



2-dc cluster: [Yo, pick up a loop in next dc, yo, draw through 2 loops on hook] 2 times, yo, draw through all 3 loops on hook.

3-dc cluster: [Yo, pick up a loop in next dc, yo, draw through 2 loops on hook] 3 times, yo, draw through all 4 loops on hook.

**Yarn:**

Red Heart Boutique Unforgettable, 100% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 280 yd (256 m): 7 skeins #3945 Parrot (A)

Red Heart Soft, 100% acrylic, 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m): 2 skeins #9870 Deep Sea (B)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 7" × 7" (18 × 18 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 48" × 58" (122 × 147.5 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Make 42 Celtic Cross squares, working Rnds 1–7 with A, and Rnd 8 with B.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together into a rectangle, 6 squares wide by 7 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)).

EDGING

Note: Count each joined corner sp and seam as one st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a sl st in top right-hand corner, in first sc right after corner, ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), sk next sc, dc in next sc, *[ch 1, sk next sc, dc in next sc] across to next corner, ch 1, sk next sc**, (dc, ch 3, dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, sk next sc, rep * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off B—96 dc in top and bottom edges, 112 dc on each side edge.

RND 2: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in first dc right after corner, ch 1, sc in first dc, *[sc in next ch-1 space, sc in next dc] across to next corner, (sc, ch 1, sc) in corner ch-3 space, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 3: Ch 3 (counts a dc here and throughout), 2 dc in same st, *sk next 2 sc [3 dc in next sc, sk next 3 sc] across to next corner, sk last 2 sc, [2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc] in next corner ch-3 sp, sk next 2 sc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3.

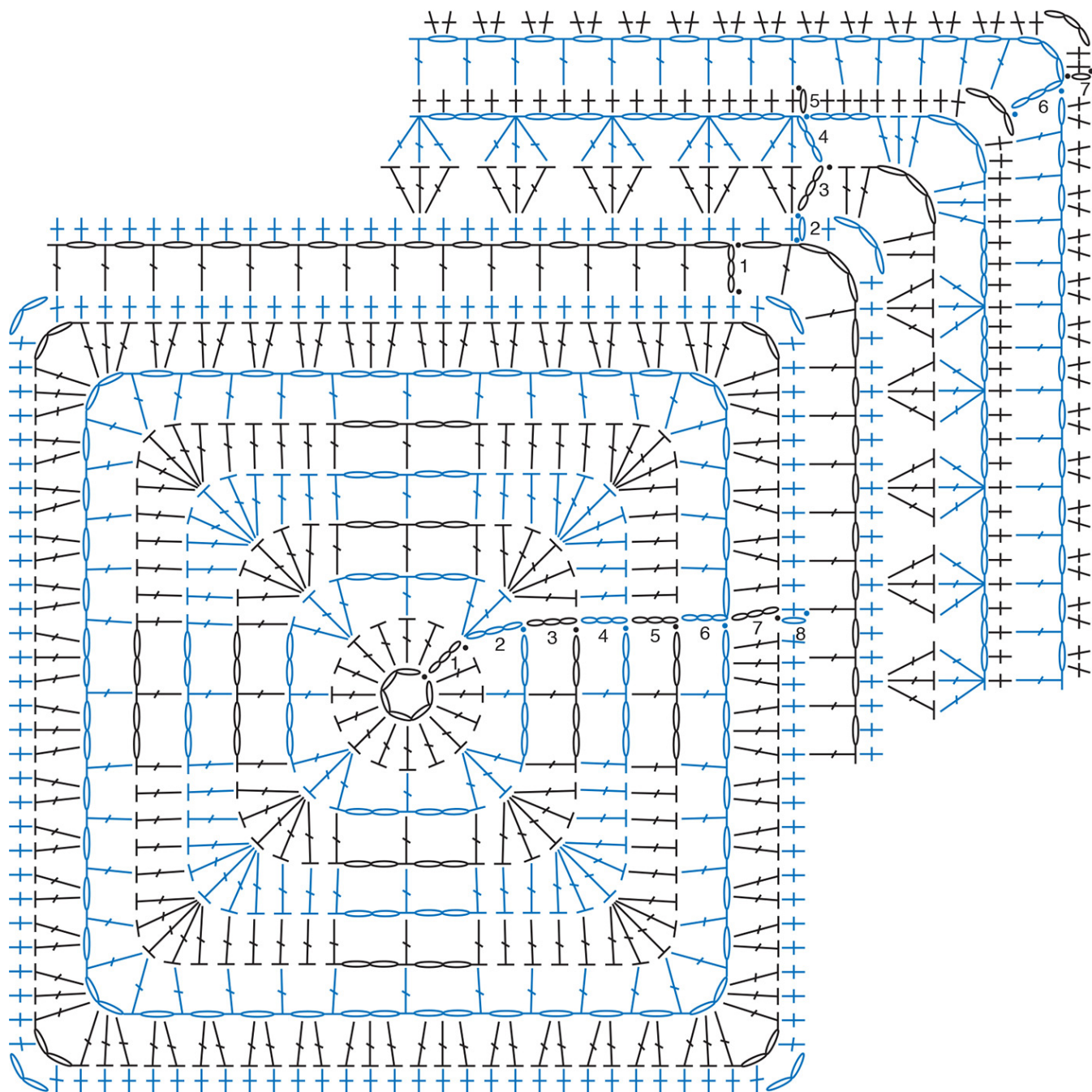
RND 4: Ch 3, 2-dc cluster over next 2 sts, *ch 3, 3-dc cluster over next 3 sts, rep from * across to next corner, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-2 space, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3.

RND 5: Ch 1, *[sc in top of cluster, 3 sc in next ch-3 space] across to last cluster before corner, sc in each of next 3 dc, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in next corner ch-3 space, sc in each of next 3 dc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off A.

RND 6: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in top right-hand corner, ch 5 (counts as a dc, ch 2), dc in same space (corner made), *ch 1, sk next sc [dc in next sc, ch 1, sk next sc] across to next corner, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next corner ch-3 space, ch 1, sk next sc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off B.

RND 7: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, *(2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in corner ch-2 sp, 2 sc in each ch-1 space across to next corner, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 5

oceanside

With this blanket, I added a very textured yarn to contrast with the standard worsted weight yarn for a different effect. A surprising bonus was added while doing the border. The textures in the yarn formed a wonderful little shell as it was worked around the last round, giving the blanket a very nice finish.



Yarn:

Patons Décor, 100% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 205 yd (187 m): 5 skeins #10712 Lime Juice (A) and 5 skeins #10134 Royal (B)

Patons Venus, 55% cotton/40% acrylic/5% nylon, 1.75 oz (50 g), 133 yd (122 m): 6 skeins #10734 Turquoise (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 8" × 8" (20.5 × 20.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 51" × 59" (129.5 × 150 cm)

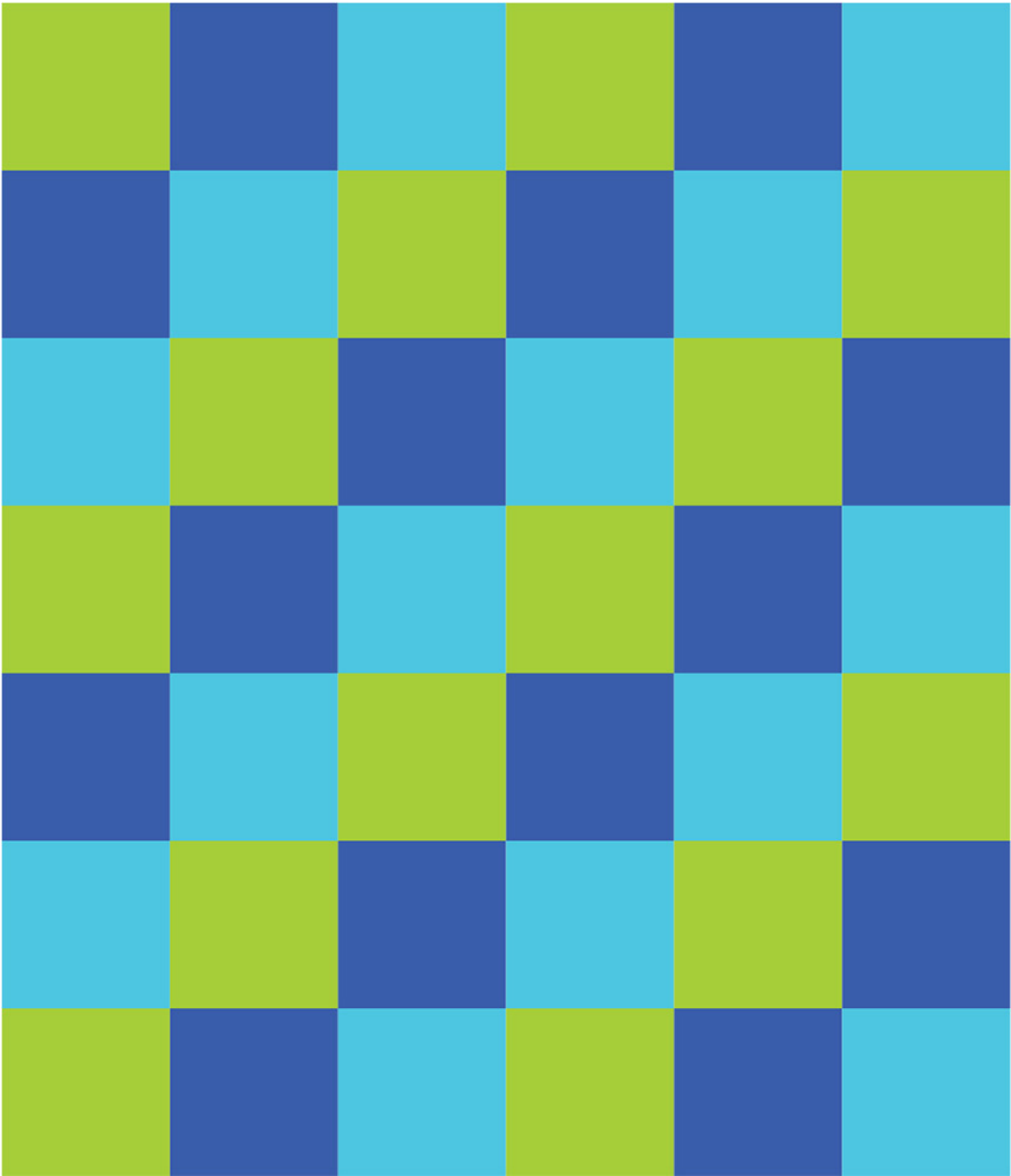
Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Make 42 Celtic Cross squares, 14 in each color.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following the Assembly Diagram.



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

Color Key



EDGING

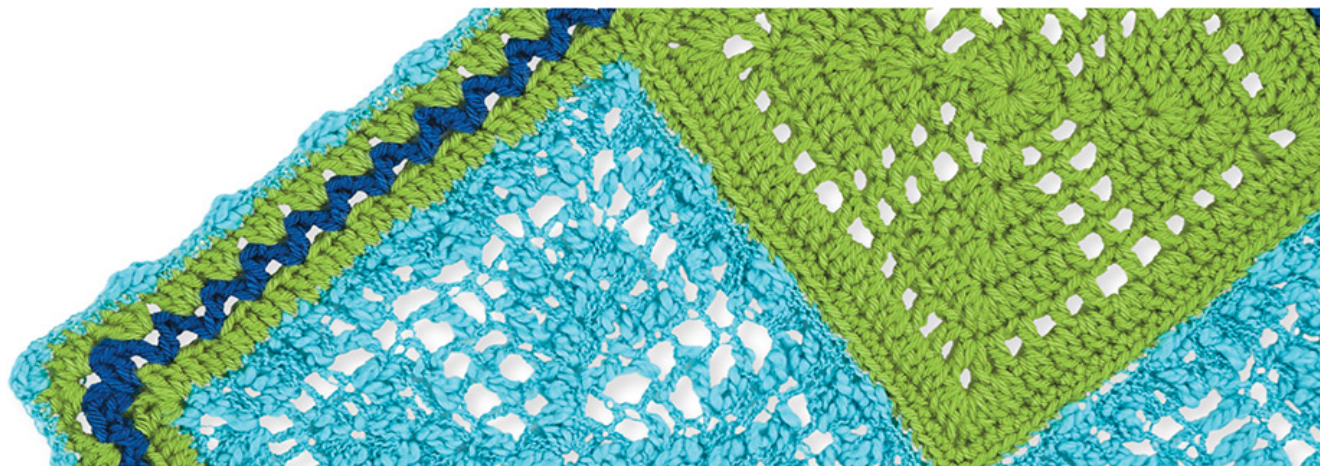
V-st: (Dc, ch 1, dc) in same st or sp.

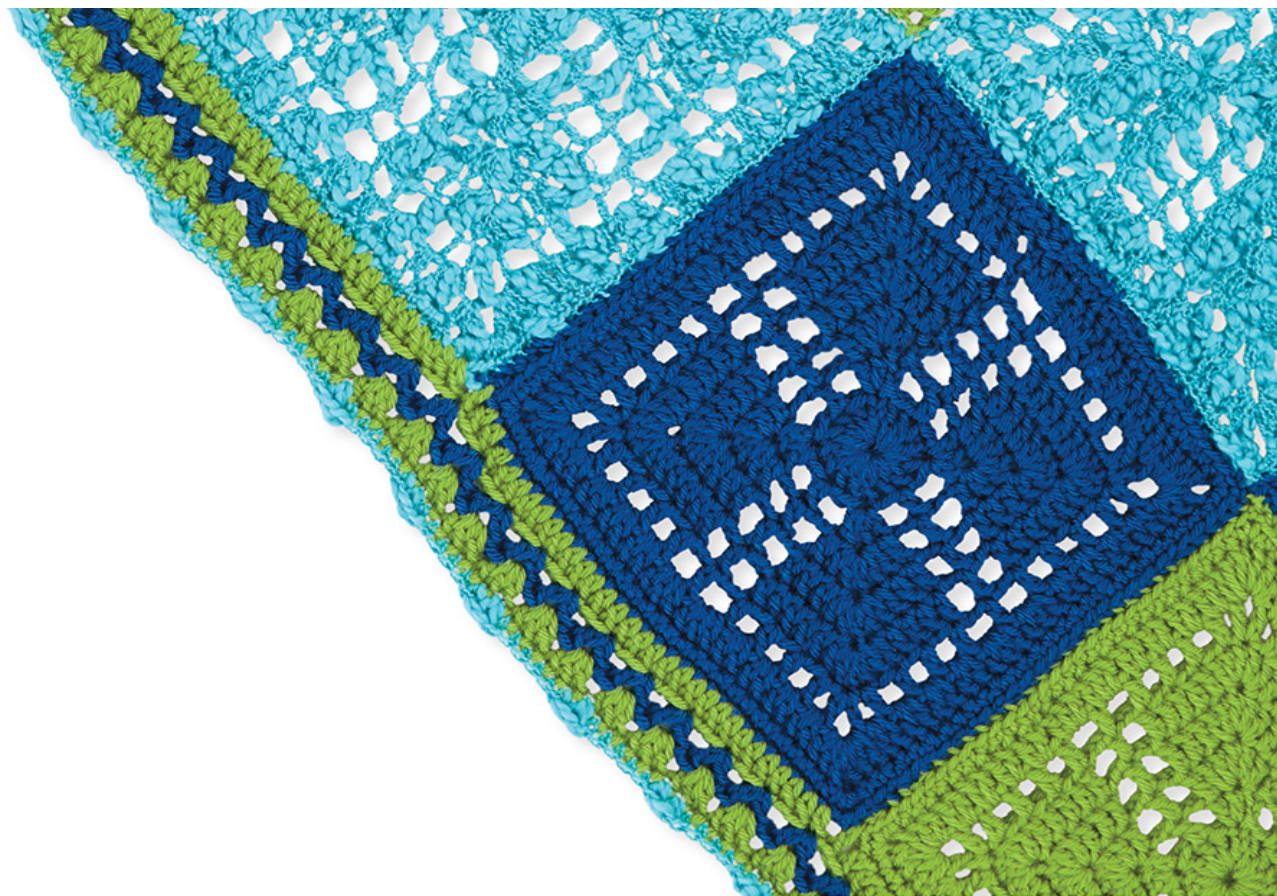
RND 1: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in top right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner made), *[dc in each of the next 30 sc, skip next ch-2 sp, dc in the seam, skip next ch-2 sp] across to last square, dc in each of the next a 30 sc**, (2 dc, ch-2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as beg, ch 2, join with a SI st to top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

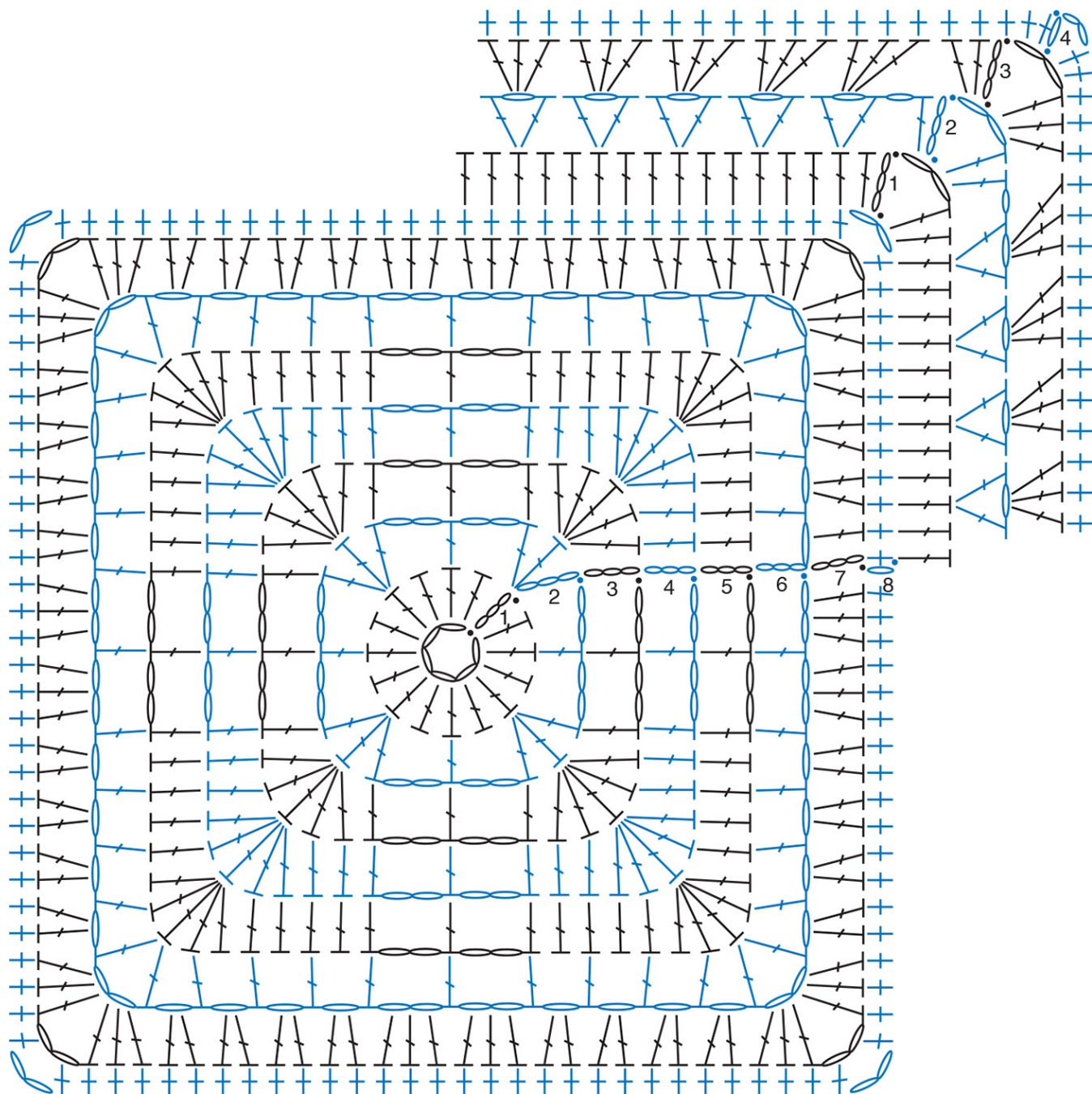
RND 2: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in ch-2 sp just made, ch 3, dc in same sp (half corner made), *ch 1, [sk 2 dc, V-st in next st] across to next corner, ch 1**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, ch 2, 2 dc in same sp as beg, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B—63 V-sts top and bottom, 73 V-sts each side.

RND 3: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in ch-2 sp just made, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp (half corner made), *3 dc in ch-1 sp of each V-st across to next corner**, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same sp as beg, ch 2, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

RND 4: With RS facing, join C with a SI st in ch-2 sp just made, ch 1, 2 sc in same sp (half corner made), *sc in each dc across to next corner, (2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in same sp as beg, ch 2, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off.







BLANKET: 6

royal purple

“Cozy Soft” is the perfect name for this yarn. Lovely to work with, it makes truly cozy blankets and comes in an array of the most gorgeous, brilliant colors.



Yarn:

Ella Rae Cozy Soft, 25% wool/75% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 213 yd (195 m): 8 skeins Solid #13 Lavender (A) and 4 skeins Print #02 Lavender, Medium Mint, and Postal Blue (B)

Hook: G-6 (4 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 7" × 7" (18 × 18 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 45" × 45" (114.5 x 114.5 cm)

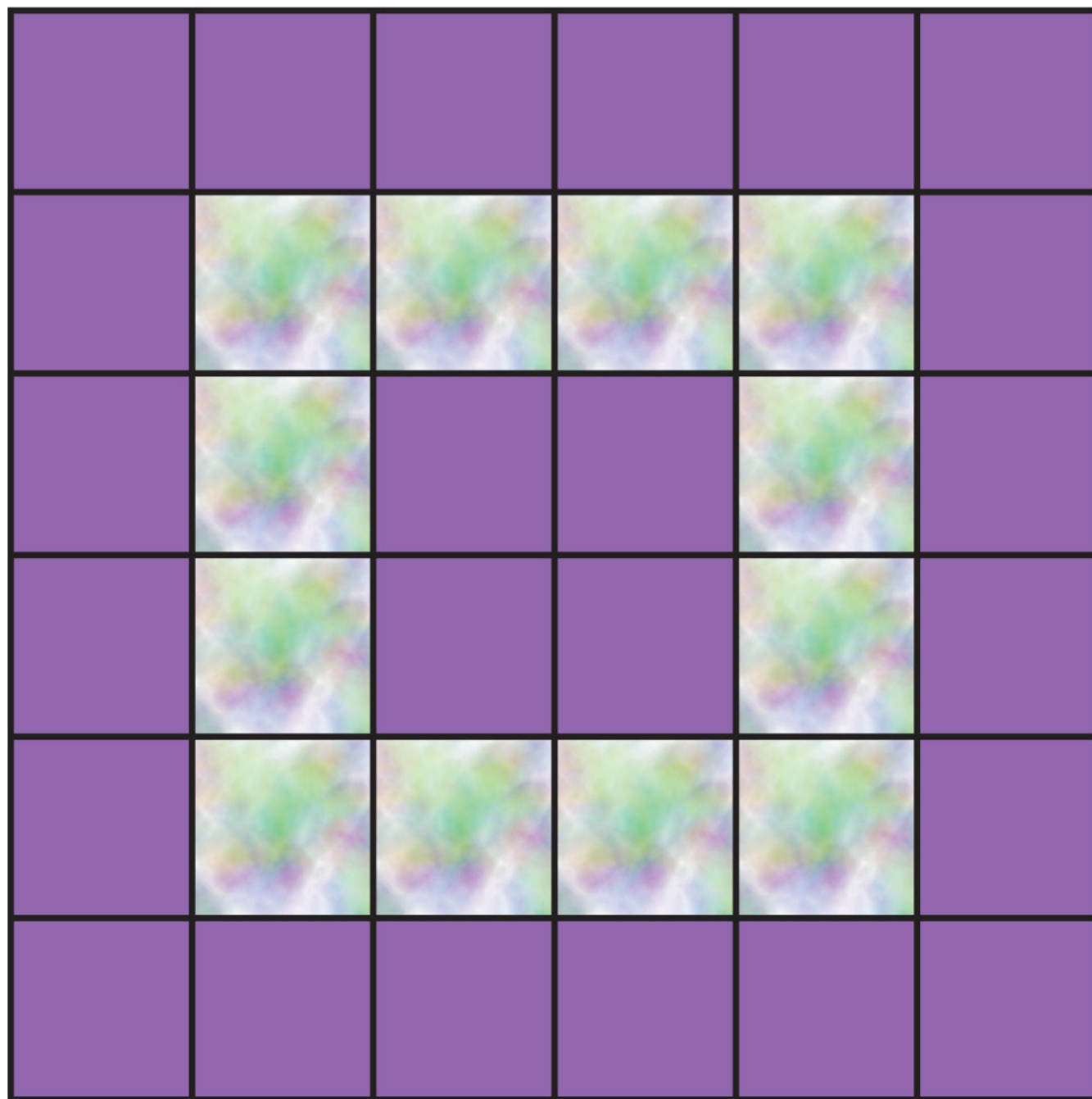
Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Make 24 Celtic Cross squares with A. Make 12 Celtic Cross squares working Rnds 1, 7, and 8 with A and remaining rnds with B.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, 6 squares wide by 6 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

Color Key



= Solid #13 Lavender



= Print #02 Lavender, Medium Mint, and Postal Blue

EDGING

Note: Count corner ch-2 sps and seams of each square as sts.

RND 1: With RS facing, join yarn with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-2 sp of 2nd square below top right-hand corner, ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), sk next st (seam), *[dc in next st, sk next st] across to ch-2 corner sp, (dc, ch 1, dc, ch 1) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, [dc in next st, sk next st] across to beg, join with a Sl st to 3rd ch of beg ch-4.

RND 2: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), [dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc] twice, *ch 5, sk next 2 ch-1 sps, tr in next ch-1 sp, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, dc in next dc**, [dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next dc] 3 times*, rep from * to ** once, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, tr in next corner ch-1 sp, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, dc in next dc, *** rep from * to * across to 4 sts before next corner, ending last rep at **, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, tr in next corner ch-1 sp, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, dc in next ch-1 sp, rep from *** twice, rep from * to * across to beg, ending last rep at **, dc in next ch-1 sp, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3.

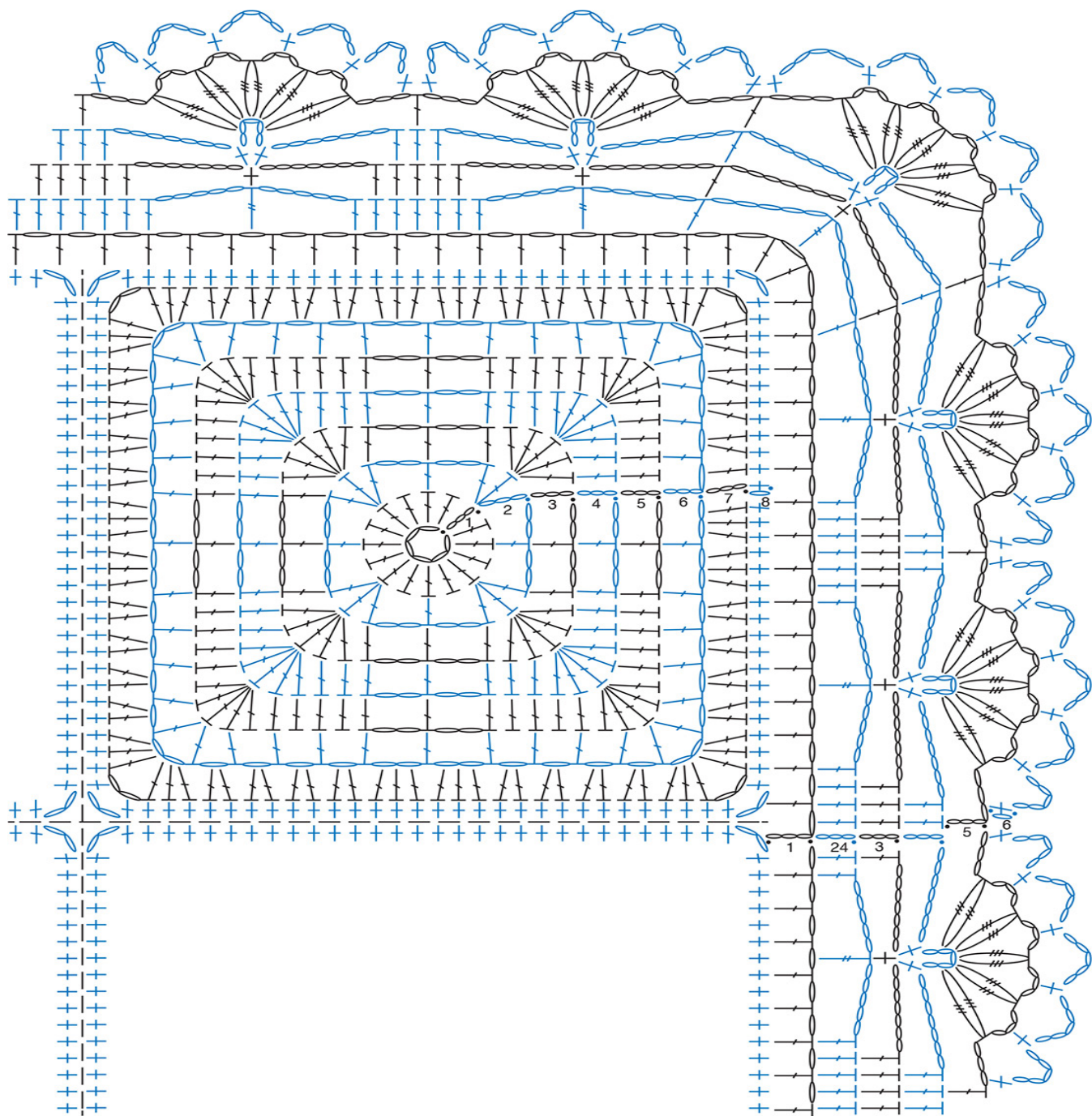
RND 3: Ch 3, dc in each of next 3 dc, *ch 7, sc in the next tr, ch 7, sk next dc, dc in each of the next 5 dc*, [ch 7, sc in the next tr, ch 7, dc in next dc] twice, **rep from * to * across to 3 ch-5 sps before next corner, [ch 7, sc in the next tr, ch 7, dc in next dc] twice, rep from ** twice, rep from * to * across to beg, ch 7, sc in the next tr, ch 7, sk next dc, dc in next dc, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch 3.

RND 4: Ch 3, dc in each of the next 2 dc, *ch 7, sk next ch-7 lp, (sc, ch 5, sc) in next sc, ch 7, sk next dc**, dc in each of next 3 dc*, ***[ch 7, sk next ch-7 lp, (sc, ch 5, sc) in next sc, ch 7, dc in next dc] twice, rep from * to * across to next corner, rep from *** twice, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st to top of beg ch-3.

RND 5: Sl st in next dc, ch 6 (counts as dc, ch 3), *[dtr2tog, ch 3] 5 times in next ch-5 sp**, sk next dc, dc in next dc, ch 3*, [(dtr2tog, ch 3) 5 times in next ch-5 sp, dc in next dc, ch 3] twice, ***rep from * to * across to next corner, [(dtr2tog, ch 3) 5 times in next ch-5 sp, dc in next dc, ch 3] twice, rep from *** twice, rep from * to * across to beg, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6.

RND 6: Sl st in first ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, *(ch 5, sc) in each of next 5 ch-3 sps, sc in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, omitting last sc, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





SQUARE THREE

QUARTET

Skill Level: Easy

Made with 2 colors: A and B.

Make 4 small squares, 2 each with A and B.

SQUARES

Ch 8, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch 3, 3 tr in ring, ch 5, [4 tr, ch 5] 3 times in ring, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3—4 ch-5 sps. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Sew 4 squares together from the WS, through BL only, using Whipstitch Seam (see [page 125](#)), alternating colors.

SQUARE EDGING

RND 1: With RS facing, join either color in any corner ch-5 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same sp (half corner made), *ch 2, sk next 2 dc, 1 dc between last skipped and next dc, [ch 2, 2 dc in next ch-5 sp] twice, ch 2, 1 dc between last skipped and next dc, ch 2**, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-5 sp, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, 3 dc in same ch-5 as first half corner, ch 3, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 (corner made)—20 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-3 sps. Fasten off.

RND 2: With RS facing, join other color in any ch-3 corner sp, ch 1, 3 sc in same corner (half corner made), *1 sc in next 3 dc, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, 1 sc in next dc, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, 1 sc in each of next 2 dc, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, 1 sc in each of next 2 dc, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, 1 sc in next dc, 2 sc in next ch-2 sp, 1 sc in each of next 3 dc**, (3 sc, ch 2, 3 sc) in next ch-3 sp (corner made), rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, 3 sc in same corner sp as first half corner, ch 2, join with a Sl st in first sc (corner made)—4 ch-2 sps. Fasten off.

BLANKET: 7

contemporary quartet

The Quartet Square lends itself to using a lot of different colors. Follow the chart for color placement as shown, or use leftover yarns to create your own fantastic abstract design.



Yarn:

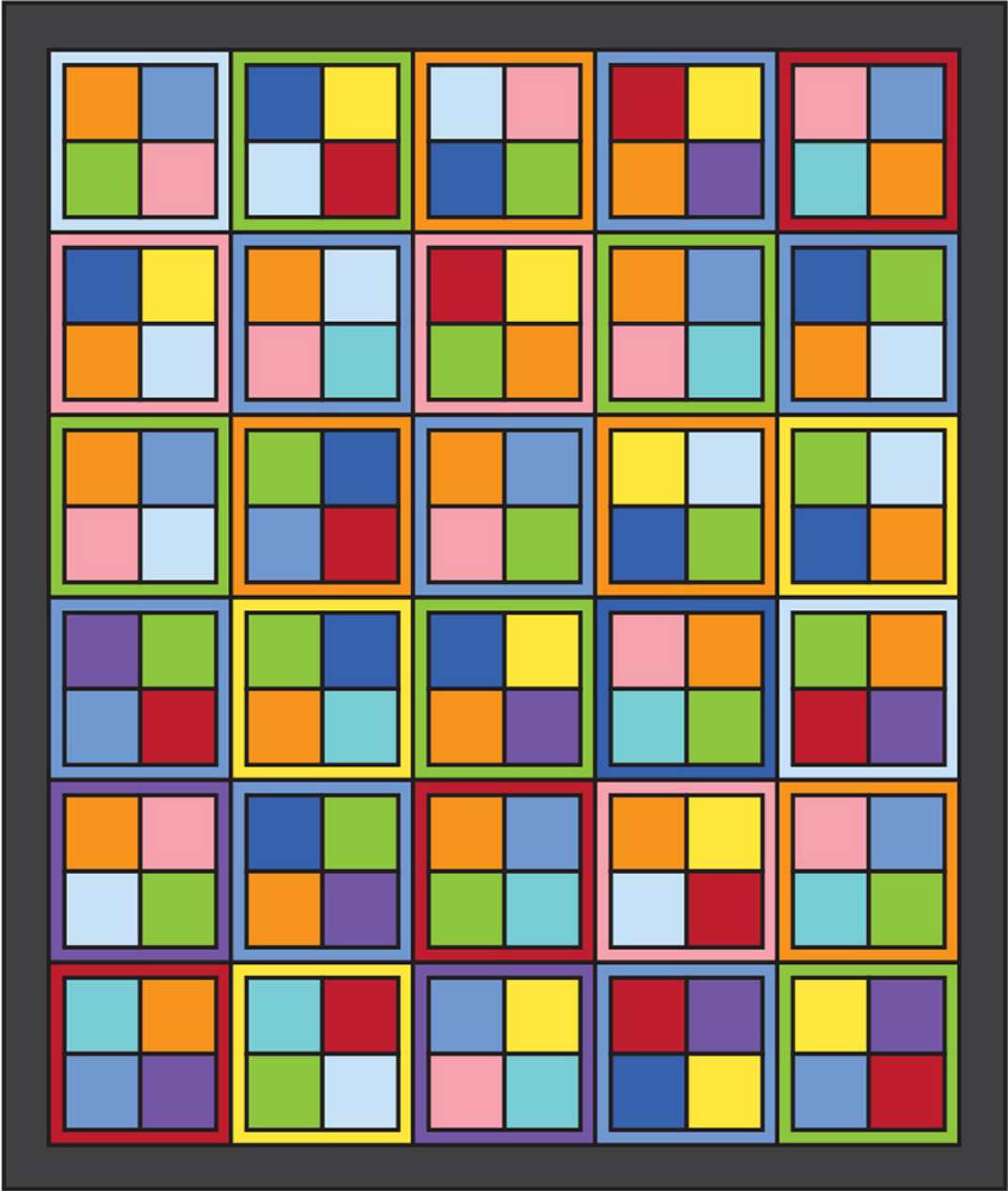
Plymouth Encore, 75% acrylic/25% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 200 yd (183 m): 1 skein each #1383 Bright Orange (A), #4045 Serenity Blue (B), #0457 Carnation (C), #3335 Rio Lime (D), #0456 Harvest (E), #0133 Royal (F), #1606 Purple Bell (G), #0473 Aquarius (H), #0793 Light Blue (I), and #1382 Bright Yellow (J); 2 skeins #0217 Black (K)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 8" × 8" (20.5 × 20.5 cm)












Finished Size: Approximately 43" × 51" (109 × 129.5 cm)

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

Color Key

	= Bright Orange
	= Serenity Blue
	= Carnation
	= Rio Lime
	= Harvest
	= Royal
	= Purple Bell
	= Aquarius
	= Light Blue
	= Bright Yellow
	= Black

SQUARES

Make 30 Quartet squares following chart for color placement.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares into a rectangle, 5 squares wide by 6 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)).

EDGING

Note: When working Rnd 1 of Edging, always work 1 sc in each sc, in each joined corner and in each seam.

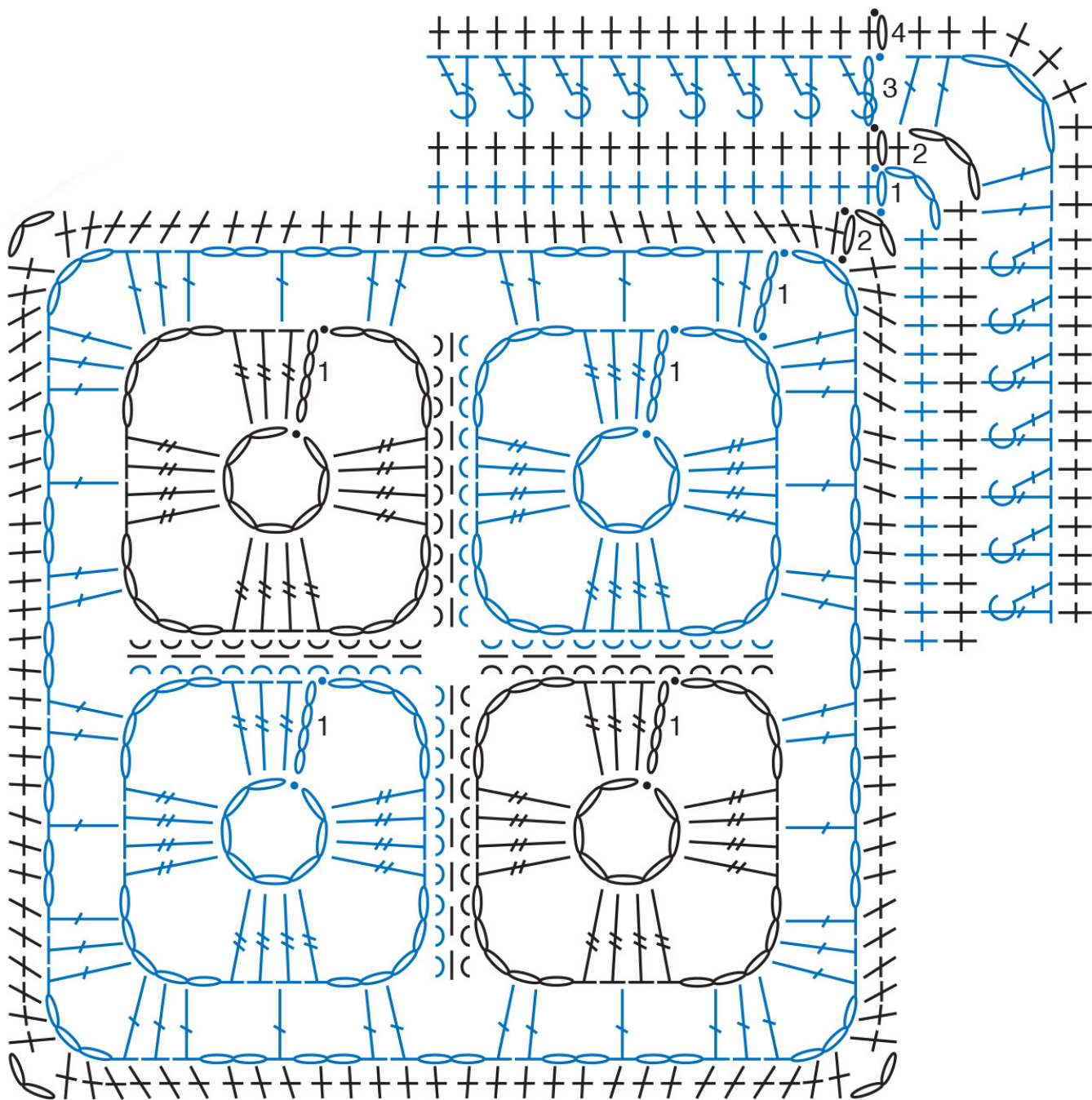
RND 1: With RS facing, join K with a Sl st in bottom right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sc in same sp, *sc in each st across to next corner, (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in first sc—185 sc on each long side, 154 sc on each short side, 4 corner ch-3 spaces.

RND 2: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *sc in each sc across to next corner ch-3 sp, (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 3: Ch 3, FPdc around the post of ch-3 just made, *[sk next sc, dc in next sc, FPdc around the post of dc just made] across until one sc before next corner, dc in sc, (dc, ch 3, dc) in corner ch-3 sp, dc in next sc, rep from * around, dc in next sc, join with a Sl st to top of beg ch-3.

RND 4: Ch 1, *sc in each st across to next corner ch-3 sp, 5 sc in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, sc in next 2 dc, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 8

oasis

The Quartet square, while a little challenging, is fun to do. The different results you can achieve by mixing up the colors and placement of the individual squares make for spectacular blankets.



Yarn:

Patons Décor, 75% acrylic/25% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 208 yd (190 m): 5 skeins #87632 Rich Taupe (A), 4 skeins #87438 Rich Oceanside (B), and 2 skeins #87602 Aran (C)

Hook: I-9 (5.5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 8" × 8" (20.5 × 20.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 57" × 57" (145 × 145 cm)

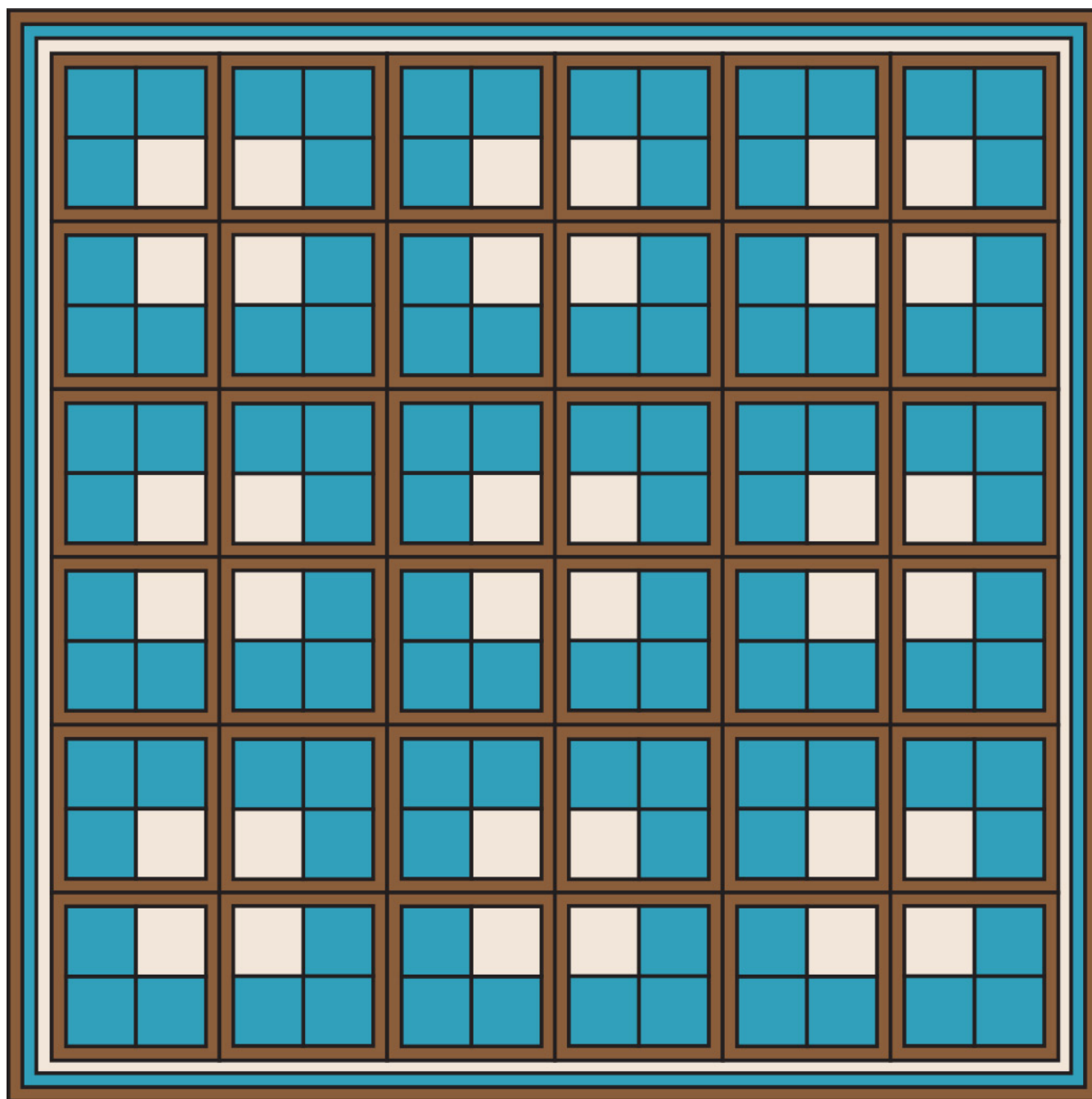
Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Make 36 Quartet squares following Assembly Diagram for color placement.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, 6 squares wide by 6 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for color placement.



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

Color Key



= Rich Taupe



= Rich Oceanside



= Aran

EDGING

For first rnd, count joined corner ch-2 sps and seams as sts.

Puff stitch: [Yo, pick up a loop in designated stitch, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times in same st, yo, draw yarn through 4 lps on hook.

RND 1: With RS facing, join C with SI st in first sc after any corner, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in next 2 sc, *[ch 1, skip next st, dc in next 3 sts] across to next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner sp, rep from * around, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3.

RND 2: Ch 1, *[(puff st, ch 4, puff st) in next dc, sk next 2 dc] across to next corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, rep from * around, join with a SI st in top of first puff st. Fasten off C.

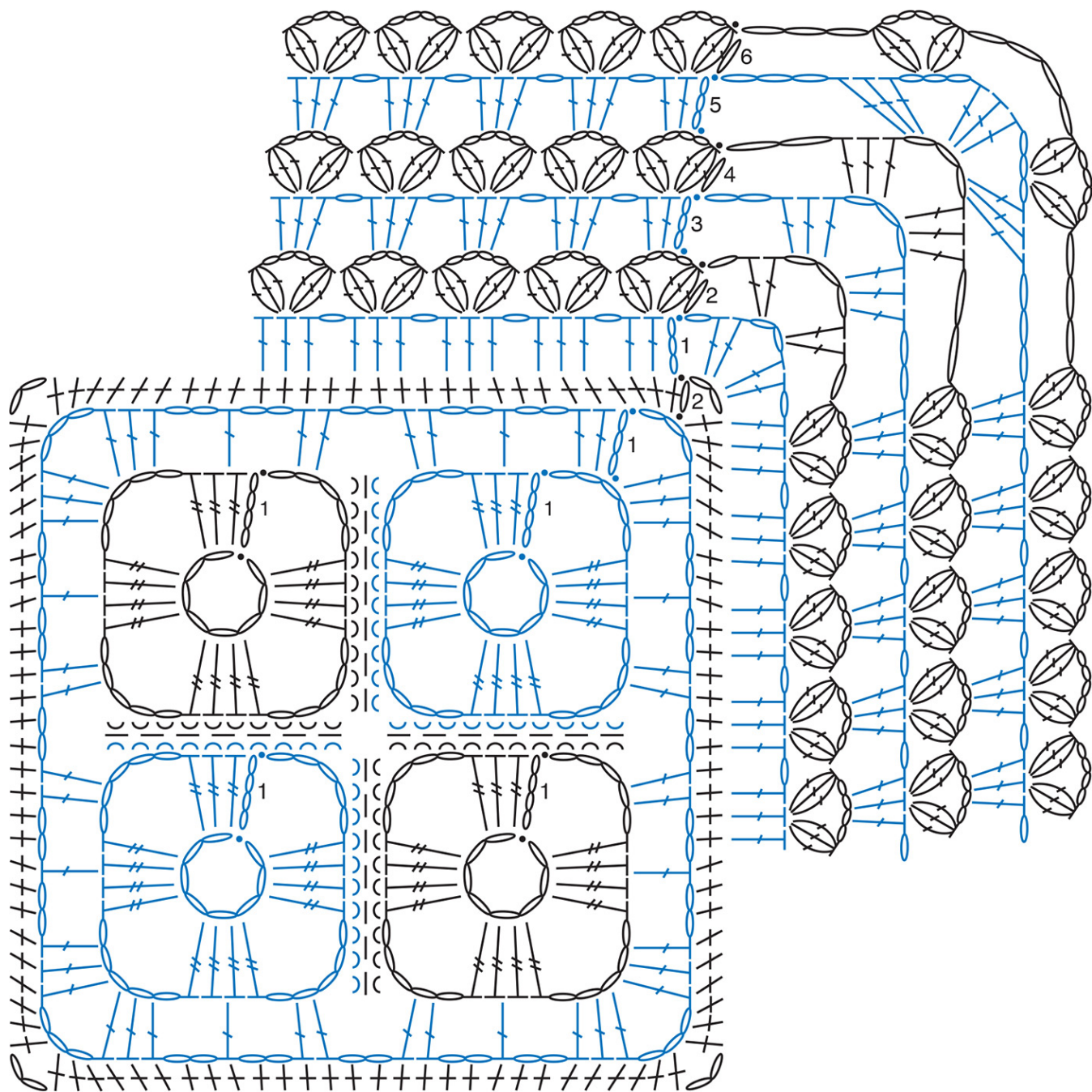
RND 3: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in first ch-4 sp, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, *[ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-4 sp] across to next corner ch-2 sp, ch 2, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in corner sp, ch 2, rep from * around, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3.

RND 4: Ch 1, *(puff st, ch 4, puff st) in each center dc of each 3-dc group across to next corner ch-3 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, rep from * around, join with a SI st in top of first puff st. Fasten off B.

RND 5: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in first ch-4 sp, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp, *[ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-4 sp] across to last ch-4 sp before corner ch-3 sp, 3 dc in last ch-4 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-2 sp, (3 dc, ch 3) 3 times in corner ch-2 sp**, 3 dc in next ch-4 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a SI st in top of beginning ch-3.

RND 6: Ch 1, *(puff st, ch 4, puff st) in each center dc of each 3-dc group across to next corner ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, (puff st, ch 3, puff st) in first ch-3 sp of corner, ch 4, skip center 3-dc group, (puff st, ch 3, puff st) in next ch-3 sp of corner, ch 3, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first puff st. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 9

baby quartet

Quartet squares crocheted in baby colors, in a soft acrylic yarn, make a charming gift for a new baby in your life. Crochet it in a different color combination and it would make a great lap robe.



Yarn:

Lion Brand Vanna's Choice Baby, 100% premium acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 170 yd (156 m): 2 skeins #169 Sweat Pea (A), 2 skeins #106 Little Boy Blue (B), 1 skein #138 Pink Poodle (C), and 1 skein #157 Duckie (D)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 6 1/2" × 6 1/2" (16.5 × 16.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 32" × 32" (81.5 × 81.5 cm)

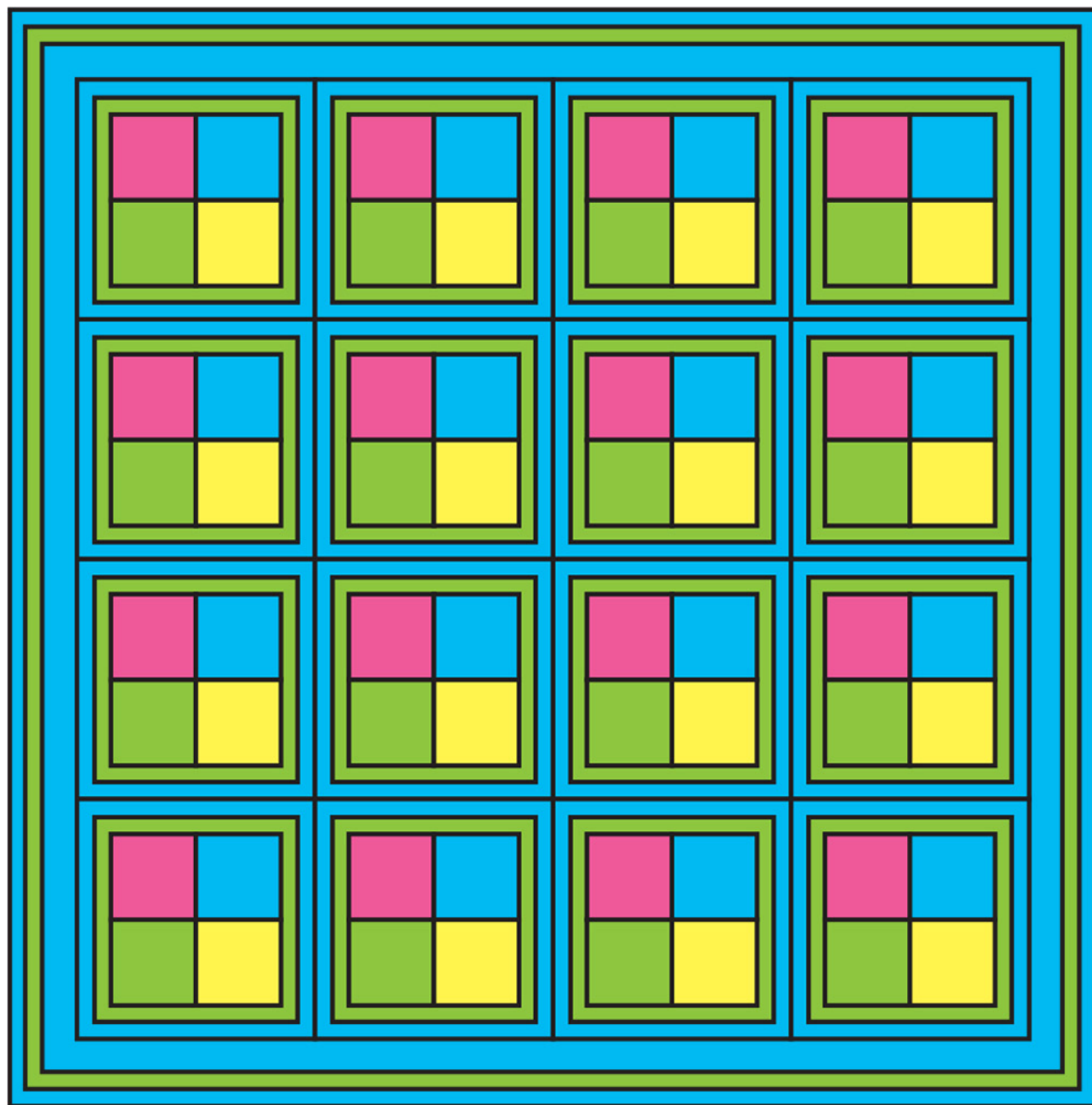
Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Make 16 Quartet squares, making 1 small square each using A, B, C, and D. Work Square Edging using A for Rnd 1 and B for Rnd 2.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

Color Key



= Sweet Pea



= Little Boy Blue



= Pink Poodle



= Duckie

EDGING

Note: Count each joined ch-2 sp and each seam as st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in any ch-2 corner space, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 2 dc in same corner space (half corner), [ch 2, sk next 2 st, dc in next st] 40 times to next corner, ch 2** (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-2 space (corner made), rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same space as joining, ch 1, hdc in top of beg ch-3 (instead of last ch-3 sp).

RND 2: Ch 3, 2 dc in same corner space (half corner), ch 2, sk next 2 dc, dc in next dc, [ch 2, sk next ch-3 sp, dc in next dc], rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same space as joining, ch 1, hdc in top of beg ch-3 (instead of last ch-3 sp).

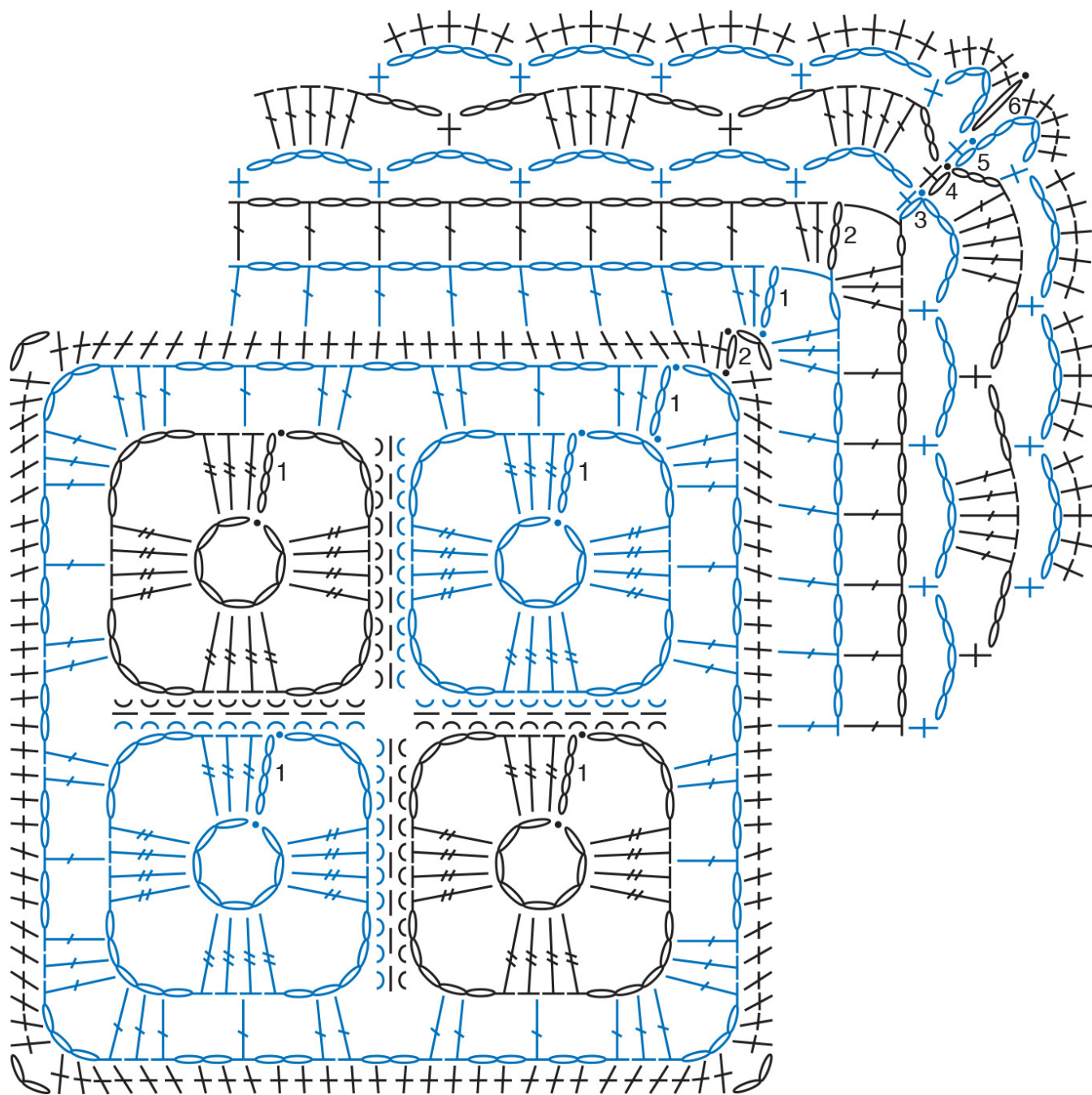
RND 3: Ch 1, *sc in corner sp, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, [ch 5, sk next 2 ch-2 sps, sc in next dc] across to next corner, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, rep from * around, ch 5, join with a Sl st in first sc. Do not fasten off B, draw up a lp with A.

RND 4: With A, ch 1, *sc in corner sc, [ch 3, 5 dc in next ch-5 sp, ch 3, sc in next ch-5 sp] across to next corner, 5 dc in last ch-5 sp, ch 3, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off A.

RND 5: Pick up dropped lp of B, with B, ch 1, *sc in corner sc, *[ch 5, sc in next ch-3 sp] across to next corner, ch 5, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 6: Ch 1, 5 sc in each ch-5 sp around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





SQUARE FOUR

LACY BEE BALM

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

Made with 1 color.

Single crochet 2 together (sc2tog): Insert hook in next st, draw up a lp, sk next 2 sts, insert hook in next st, draw up a lp, yo, draw through 3 lps on hook.

Ch 8, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch 1, 12 sc in ring, join with a Sl st in first sc—12 sc.

RND 2: Ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), (dc, ch 2) in each sc around, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5—12 ch-2 sps.

RND 3: Ch 1, sc in first st, *3 sc in the ch-2 space**, sc in dc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in first sc—48 sc.

RND 4: Ch 4 (counts as tr), tr in each of the next 3 sc, ch 6, *tr in each of next 4 sc, ch 6, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-4—12 groups of 4 tr; 12 ch-6 sps.

RND 5: Ch 1, work sc2tog over first st and 4th tr of first 4-tr group, 7 sc in next ch-6 sp, *sc2tog over next tr and 4th tr of next 4-tr group, 7 sc in next ch-6 sp, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first st.

RND 6: Ch 6 (counts as dc, ch 3), sk next 3 sc, *sc in next sc, ch 3**, sk next 3 sc, dc in next sc2tog, ch 3, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-6—24 ch-3 sps.

RND 7: Ch 1, sc in first st, *[4 sc in next ch 3 sp, sc in next st] 5 times, (3 sc, ch 3, 3 sc) in next ch-3 sp (corner made)**, sc in next dc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

BLANKET: 10

rose bouquet

This is a pretty lacy square that lends itself to a lovely, delicate baby blanket. The size is also perfect for a lap robe, sure to cheer up someone confined to a wheelchair.



Yarn:

Lion Brand LB Collection superwash merino, 100% superwash merino, 3.5 oz (100 g), 306 yd (280 m): 6 skeins #139 Peony

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 5" × 5" (12.5 × 12.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 40" × 45" (101.5 × 114.5 cm)

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Make 42 Lacy Bee Balm squares.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together into a rectangle, 6 squares wide by 7 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)).

EDGING

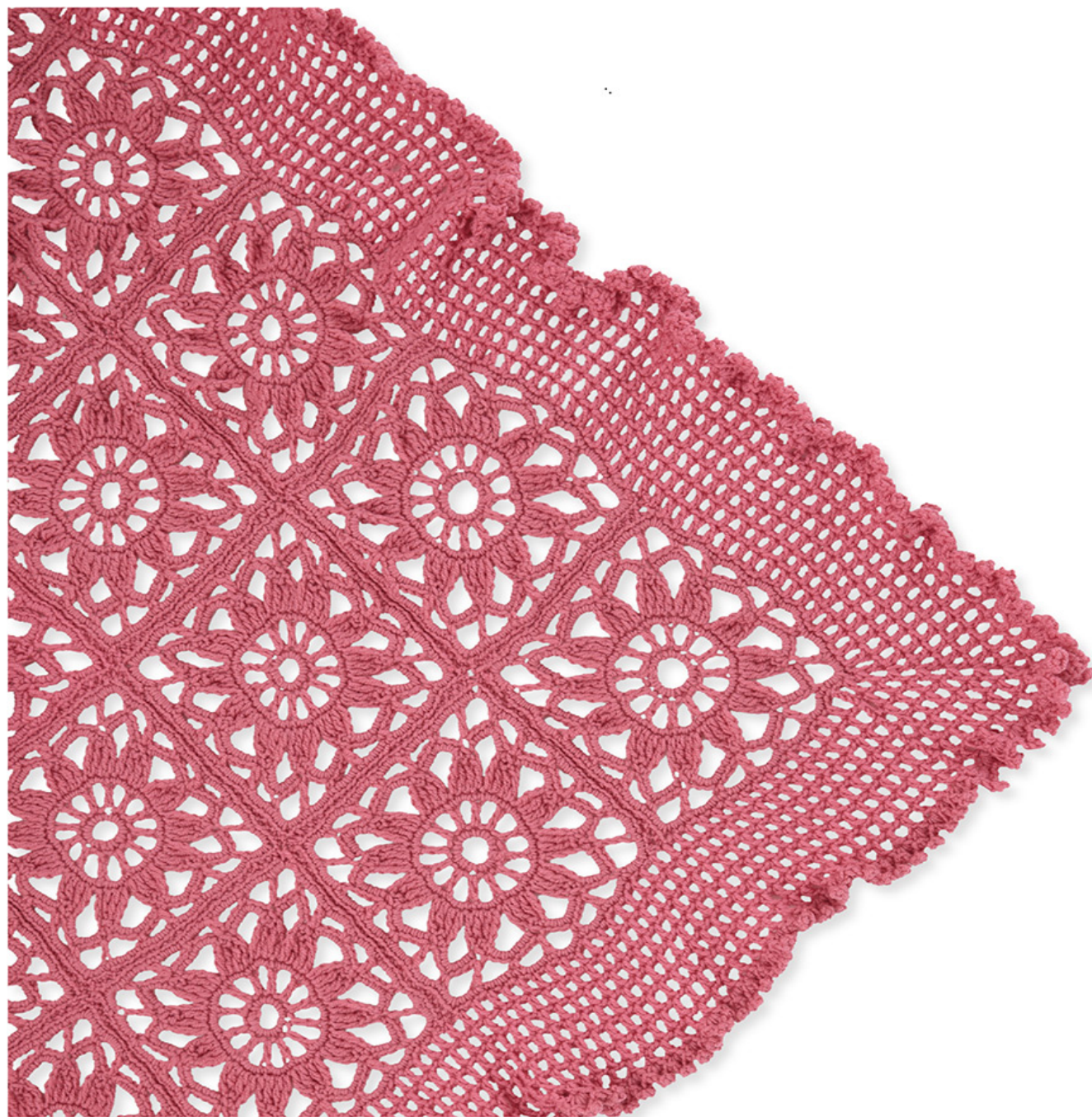
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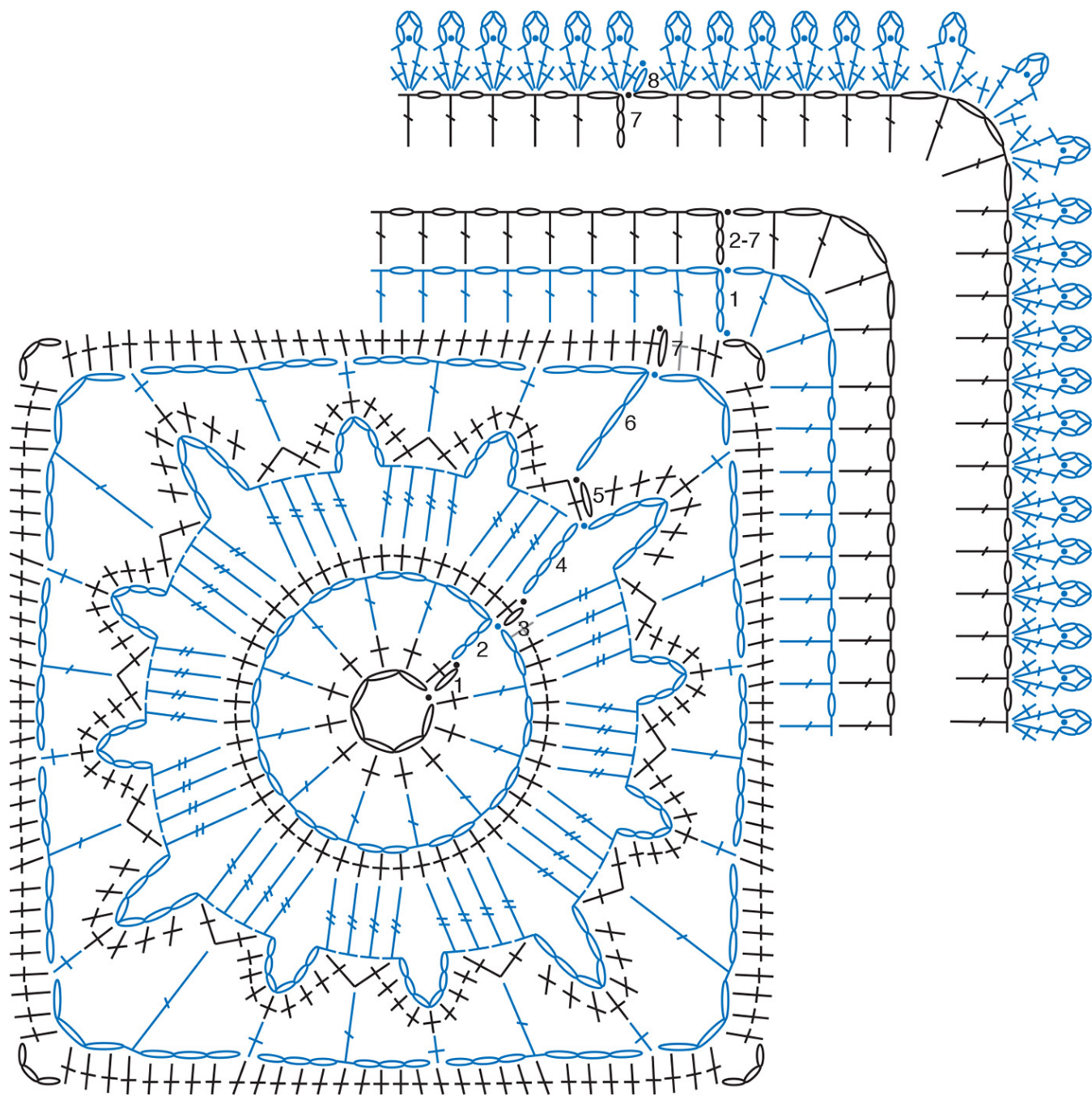
RND 1: With RS facing, join yarn with a Sl st in first sc after any corner, ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1, here and throughout), *[ch 1, sk next st, dc next st] across to next corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, (dc, ch 3, dc) in corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4.

RND 2: Ch 4, *(dc, ch 1) in each dc across to next corner ch-3 sp, (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ch 1, (dc, ch 1) in each dc across to beg, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4.

Rnds 3–7: Rep Rnd 2.

RND 8: Ch 1, *(sc, dc, picot, dc, sc) in each dc across to corner, (sc, dc, picot, dc, sc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, (sc, dc, picot, dc, sc) in each dc across to to beg, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 11

cappuccino

This blanket is made with one square, but by mixing up the color rows, the squares changes dramatically, looking as if many different squares were used.



Yarn:

Lion Brand Vanna's Choice, 100% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 170 yd (156 m): 6 skeins #100 White (A), 4 skeins #125 Taupe (B), and 3 skeins #126 Chocolate (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 7" × 7" (18 × 18 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 53" × 53" (134.5 × 134.5 cm)

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Make 49 Lacy Bee Balm squares as follows:

Square A: Make 13, using A for Rnds 1–5 and B for Rnds 6 and 7.

Square B: Make 16, using C for Rnds 1 and 2, B for Rnds 3–5, and A for Rnds 6 and 7.

Square C: Make 10, using A for Rnds 1–5 and C for Rnds 6 and 7.

Square D: Make 10, using B for Rnds 1 and 2, A for Rnds 3–5, and C for Rnds 6 and 7.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, 7 squares wide by 7 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

C	B	A	D	C	B	A
B	A	D	C	B	A	D
A	B	C	D	C	B	A
B	D	B	D	B	C	B
A	B	C	D	A	B	A
B	A	D	C	D	A	D
A	B	C	D	A	B	C

EDGING

Note: Count each seam as st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in same sp (half corner), *[ch 1, sk next sc, dc in next st] across to next corner ch-3 sp, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-3 space, rep from * around, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

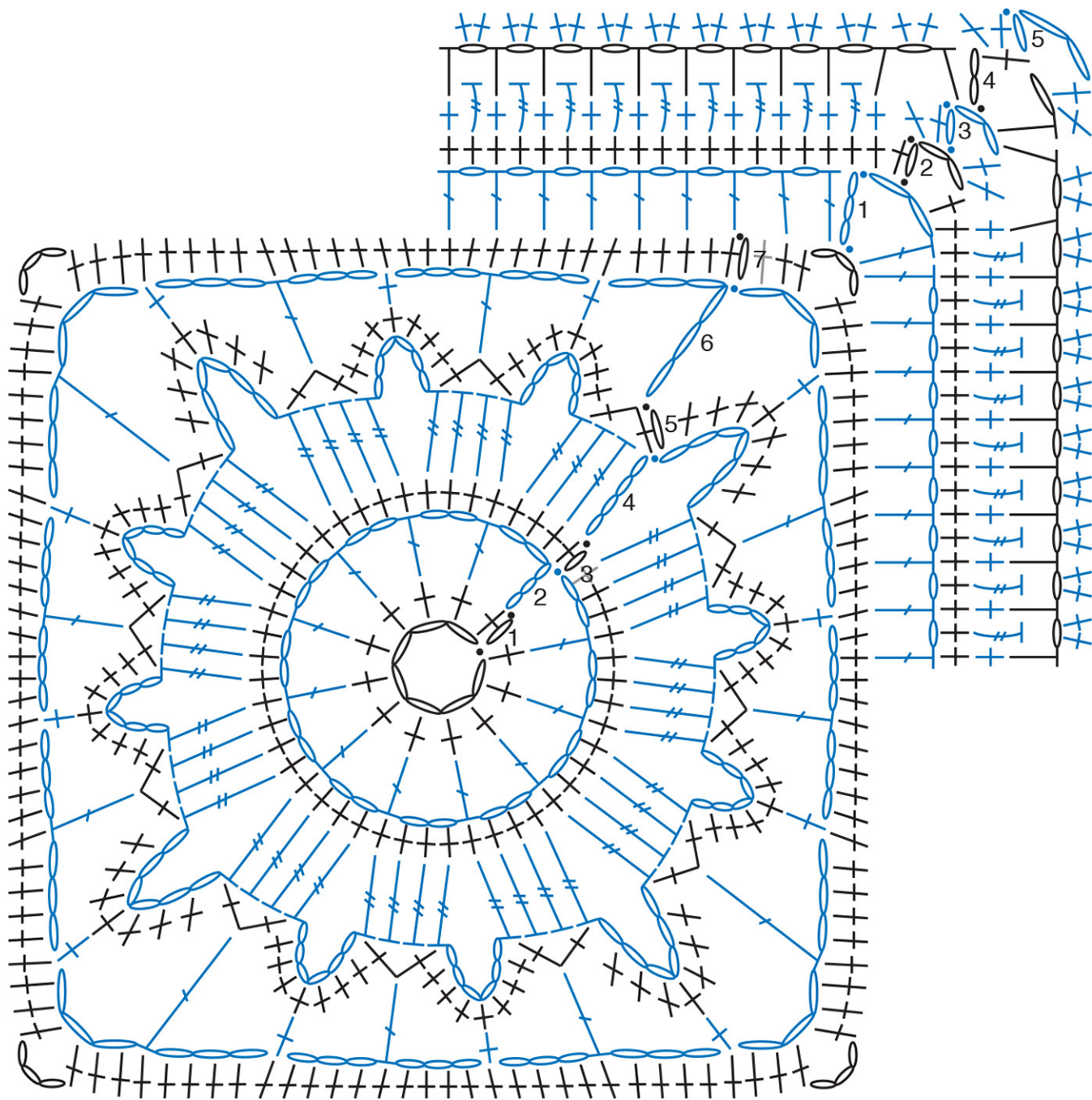
RND 2: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in last corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, 2 sc in same space (half corner), *sc in each dc across to next corner ch-2 sp, (2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off B.

RND 3: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in last corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, 2 sc in same space (half corner), *sk next sc, [sc in next sc, tr in next sc] across to last 2 sc before next corner, sc in next sc, sk next sc, (2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in next ch-2 sp (corner), rep from * around, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off A.

RND 4: With RS facing, join C with a SI st in last corner ch-2 sp, ch 2 (counts as hdc), hdc in same sp (half corner), sk next 2 sc, *[hdc in next sc, ch 1, sk next tr] across to last 4 sts before corner ch-2 sp, hdc in next sc, sk next 2 sts, (2 hdc, ch 2, 2 hdc) in next ch-2 sp, rep from * around, 2 hdc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a SI st to top of beg ch-2.

RND 5: Ch 1, 2 sc in same ch-2 sp (half corner), *2 sc in each ch-1 sp across to next corner, (2 sc, ch-2, 2 sc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 12

carnations

The name of the carnation flower roughly translates into the “flower of love.” What’s not to love about this cheery blanket in lovely shades of pink and ivory?



Yarn:

Universal Yarn Deluxe worsted, 100% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 220 yd (200 m): 2 skeins #12270 Natural (A), 3 skeins #12177 Hot Fuchsia (B), and 3 skeins #12291 Petit Pink (C)

Hook: G-6 (4 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 6" × 6" (15 × 15 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 33" × 33" (84 × 84 cm)

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Make 25 Lacy Bee Balm squares, using A for Rnds 1–3, B for Rnds 4 and 5, and C for Rnds 6 and 7.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, 5 squares wide by 5 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)).

EDGING

Note: Count each seam as st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

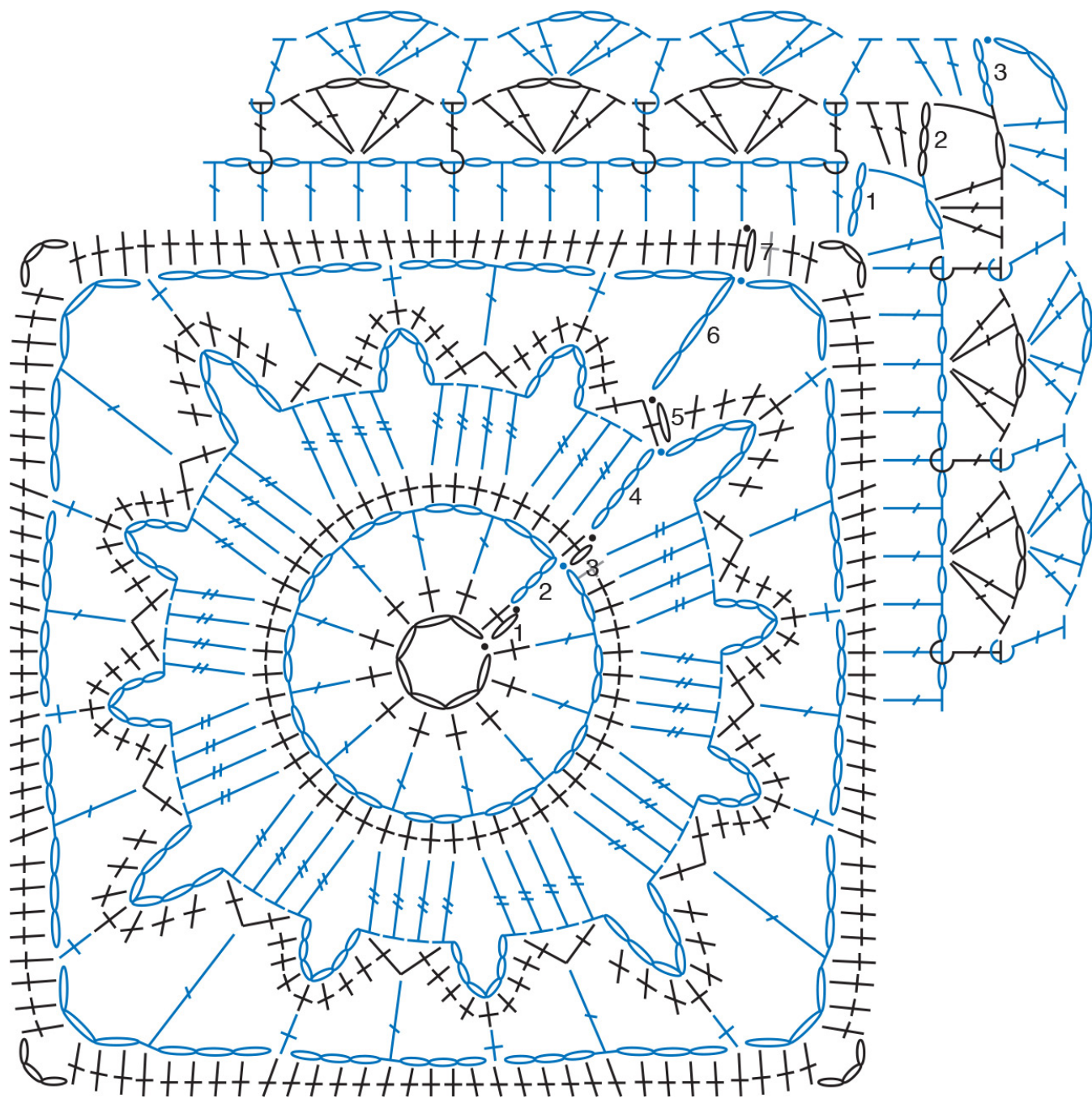
Shell: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same st or sp.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc, here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner), *[ch 1, sk next st, dc next st] across to next corner ch-3 sp, (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 1, hdc in to top of beg ch-3 instead of last ch-3 sp.

RND 2: Ch 3, 2 dc in same corner sp (half corner), *sk next dc, FPdc in next dc, [sk next dc, shell in next dc, sk next dc, FPdc in next dc] across to next corner, sk next dc**, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same sp as joining, ch 1, hdc in top of beg ch-3 instead of last ch-3 sp.

RND 3: Ch 3, 2 dc in same corner sp (half corner), *sk next 2 dc, FPdc in next FPdc, [sk next dc, shell in next ch-2 sp, sk next 2dc, FPdc in next FPdc] across to next corner, sk next dc**, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a SI st to top of beg ch-3. Fasten off.





SQUARE FIVE

PASSION FLOWER

Skill Level: Intermediate

Made with 3 colors: A, B, and C.

Front Post Triple Crochet (FPtr): Yo (twice), insert hook from front to back to front again around the post of designated st, [yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times.

Picot: Ch 3, sc in 3rd ch from hook.

With A, make an adjustable loop ([page 124](#)).

RND 1: Ch 1, 10 sc in ring, join with a Sl st in first sc, tighten ring. (10 sc)

RND 2: (Ch 7, Sl st) in each sc around, ending with last Sl st in first Sl st. Fasten off A—10 ch-7 loops.

RND 3: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in any ch-7 loop, ch 1, starting in same loop, (sc, ch 5) in each loop around, join with a Sl st in first sc—10 ch-5 loops.

RND 4: Ch 1, *(sc, ch 5, sc) in next ch-5 sp, ch-1, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 5: Ch 1, *(sc, hdc, dc, tr, picot, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-5 sp, ch-1, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off B—10 petals.

RND 6: Working behind petals, with RS facing, join C with a Sl st in any ch-1 sp in Rnd 3, ch 8 (counts as dc, ch 5), *dc in next ch-1 sp in Rnd 3, ch 5, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-8—10 ch-5 sps.

RND 7: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in next ch-5 sp, sc in picot in previous rnd, 2 dc in same ch-5 sp, FPtr around the post of next dc, *2 dc in next ch-5 sp, sc in picot in previous rnd, 2 dc in same ch-5 sp, FPtr around post of next dc, rep from * around, join with Sl st in top of beg ch-3—10 sc; 40 dc; 10 FPtr; 60 sts total.

RND 8: Ch 1, starting in same st, *sc in each of the next 15 sts, ch 3 (corner), rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off C.

RND 9: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp (corner), *dc in each of the next 2 sc, hdc in each of next 3 sc, sc in each next 5 sc, hdc in each of next 3 sc, dc in each of next 2 sc**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off D.

BLANKET: 13

darlyne

This cheery blanket will put a smile on your face as you relax, crochet, and watch each beautiful square “bloom” to create a colorful flower garden.



Yarn:

Universal Yarn Deluxe worsted, 100% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 220 yd (200 m): 4 skeins #12270 Natural (A), 4 skeins #12404 Beeswax (B), 3 skeins #12177 Hot Fuchsia (C), and 3 skeins #12291 Petit Pink (D)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 6" × 6" (15 × 15 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 50" × 56" (127 × 142.2 cm), including edging

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Square A: Make 32 Passion Flower squares, using C for Rnds 1 and 2, D for Rnds 3–5, A for Rnds 6–8, and B for Rnd 9.

Square B: Make 24 Passion Flower squares, using D for Rnds 1 and 2, C for Rnds 3–5, A for Rnds 6–8, and B for Rnd 9.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares in columns of 8 of each color, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

Using B, join columns using the single crochet chain join (see [page 126](#)).

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ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

EDGING

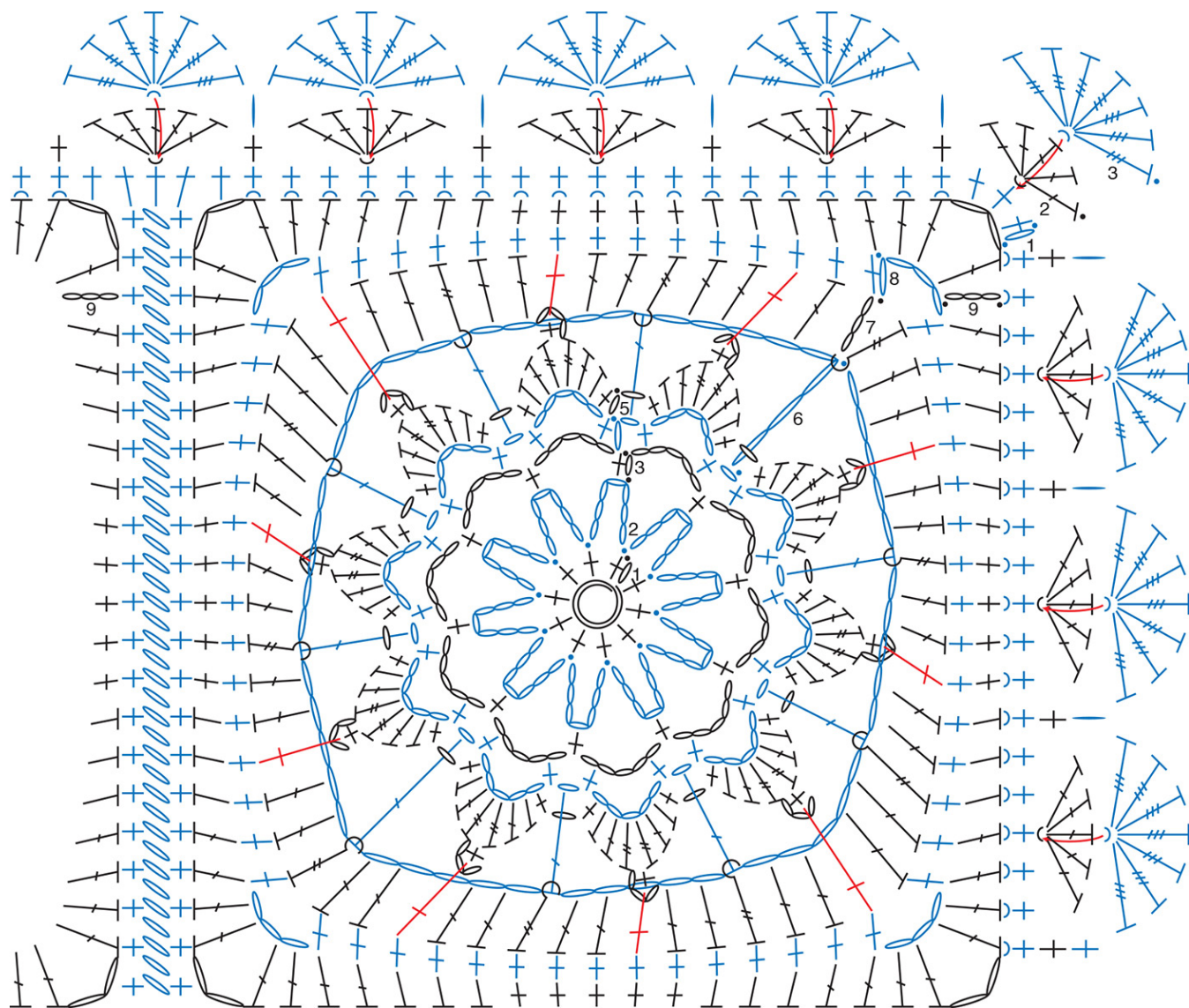
Note: Count each joined corner, each sc, and ch sp of joining rnd as sts when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in bottom right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, *3 sc in corner ch-2 sp (corner made), working in BL only, sc in each st across to next corner, join with a SI st in first sc—163 sc across top and bottom edges, 187 sc across side edges, plus 3 sc in each corner.

RND 2: 5 dc in BL only of next sc (center sc of corner), sk next sc, *5 dc in FL only of next sc, sk next 2 sc, working in both lps of st, sc in next sc, sk next 2 sc, 5 dc in FL only of next sc, rep from * across to within 1 st of next corner, sk next st, rep from * around, join with SI st in first dc.

RND 3: *7 dtr in BL of next sc in Rnd 1 behind 5-dc shell, SI st in next sc in Rnd 2, rep from * around. Fasten off.





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tapestry

Color choices change the look of every square. Choosing deeper, jewel tone colors will create a more dramatic look. The yarn is a 100-percent acrylic that is soft and luxurious, and easy to care for.



Yarn:

Lion Brand Vanna's Choice, 100% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 170 yd (156 m): 5 skeins #171 Fern (A), 4 skeins #144 Magenta (B), 4 skeins #147 Purple (C), and 3 skeins #143 Rose (D)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 6" × 6" (15 × 15 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 46" × 54" (147 × 137 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Square A: Make 28 Passion Flower squares, using D for Rnds 1 and 2, B for Rnds 3–5, A for Rnds 6–8, and C for Rnd 9.

Square B: Make 14 Passion Flower squares, using B for Rnds 1 and 2, D for Rnds 3–5, A for Rnds 6–8, and C for Rnd 9.

ASSEMBLY

Join squares together into a rectangle, 6 squares wide by 7 squares long, using the chain join method (see [page 126](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement. With RS facing, working through BL only and through double thickness, sc in each st across to join squares.

A	A	A	A	A	A
A	B	B	B	B	A
A	B	A	A	B	A
A	B	A	A	B	A
A	B	A	A	B	A
A	B	B	B	B	A
A	A	A	A	A	A

EDGING

2-dc cluster: [yo, pick up a loop in next dc, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice, yo, draw yarn through all 3 lps on hook.

3-dc cluster: [yo, pick up a loop in next dc, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times, yo, draw yarn through all 4 lps on hook.

Note: Count each joined corner and seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join C with a SI st in first dc after top right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), sk next st, dc in next sc, [ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st] across to next corner, (dc, ch 3, dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, join with a SI st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off C—72 dc on top and bottom edges; 84 dc on side edges.

RND 2: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in first dc after corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, sc in first dc [sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next dc] across to next corner, (sc, ch 1, sc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first sc—145 sc on top and bottom edges; 169 sc on side edges.

RND 3: Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in same st, *sk next 2 sc, 3 dc in next sc, [sk next 3 sc, 3 dc in next sc] across to within 4 sts of next corner ch-2 sp, sk next 2 sts, 3 dc in next sc, sk next sc, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-3 sp, sk next sc**, 3 sc in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3—36 groups of 3 dc on top and bottom edges; 42 groups of 3 dc on side edges.

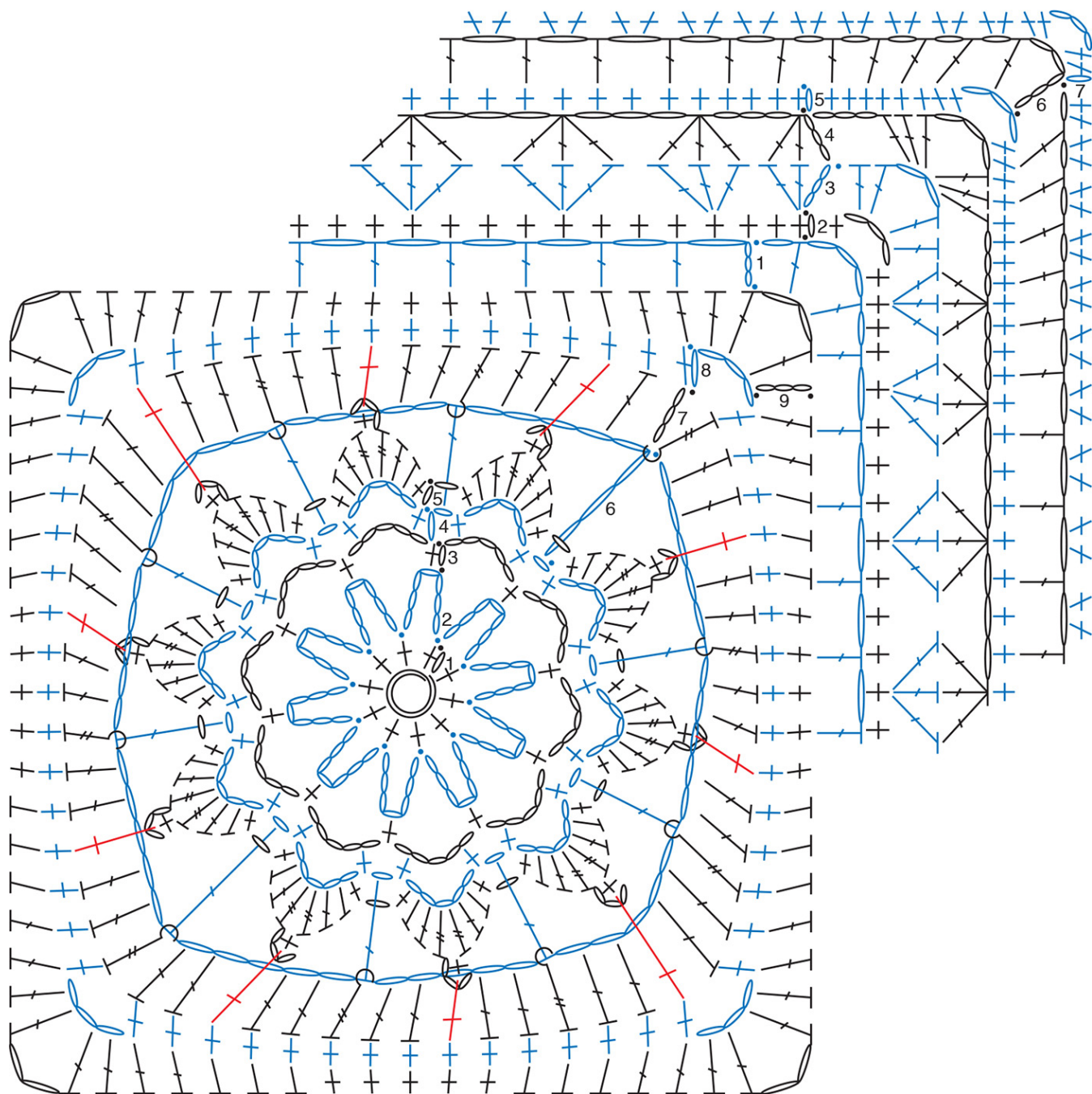
RND 4: Ch 3, 2-dc cluster over next 2 sts, [ch 3, 3-dc cluster over next 3 sts] across to 2 sts before next corner, sk next 2 dc, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 3, rep from * around, join with a SI st to top of beg ch-3.

RND 5: Ch 1, *[sc in top of cluster, 3 sc in next ch-3 sp] across to next corner, sc in each of next 3 dc, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in corner ch-3 space, sc in each of next 3 dc, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off B.

RND 6: With RS facing, join D with a SI st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 6 (counts as a dc, ch 2), dc in same space, *ch 1, sk next sc [dc in next sc, ch 1, sk next sc] across to next corner, (dc, ch 2, dc) in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, sk next sc, rep from * around, join with a SI st to third ch of beg ch-6. Fasten off C.

RND 7: With RS facing, join C with a SI st in any corner ch-3 space, ch 1, *(2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in corner ch-3 sp, 2 sc in each ch-1 sp across to next corner, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off.





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daisy patch

The ivory petals surrounded by spring green remind me of daises, growing row by row, in a field. You could make this lacy baby blanket in all white for a lovely christening shawl.



Yarn:

Lion Brand LB Collection superwash merino, 100% superwash merino, 3.5 oz (100 g), 306 yd (280 m): 3 skeins #174 Spring Leaf (A), 3 skeins #098 Ivory (B), and 1 skein #170 Dijon (C)

Hook: F-5 (3.75 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 5" × 5" (12.5 × 12.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 33" × 33" (84 × 84 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Make 36 Passion Flower squares, using C for Rnds 1 and 2, B for Rnds 3–5, and C for Rnds 6–9.

ASSEMBLY

Join squares, 6 squares wide by 6 squares long, using the chain join method (see [page 126](#)). With RS facing, working through BL only and through double thickness, sc in each st across to join squares.

EDGING

Cluster: [Yo, pick up lp in next st, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] twice in same st, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

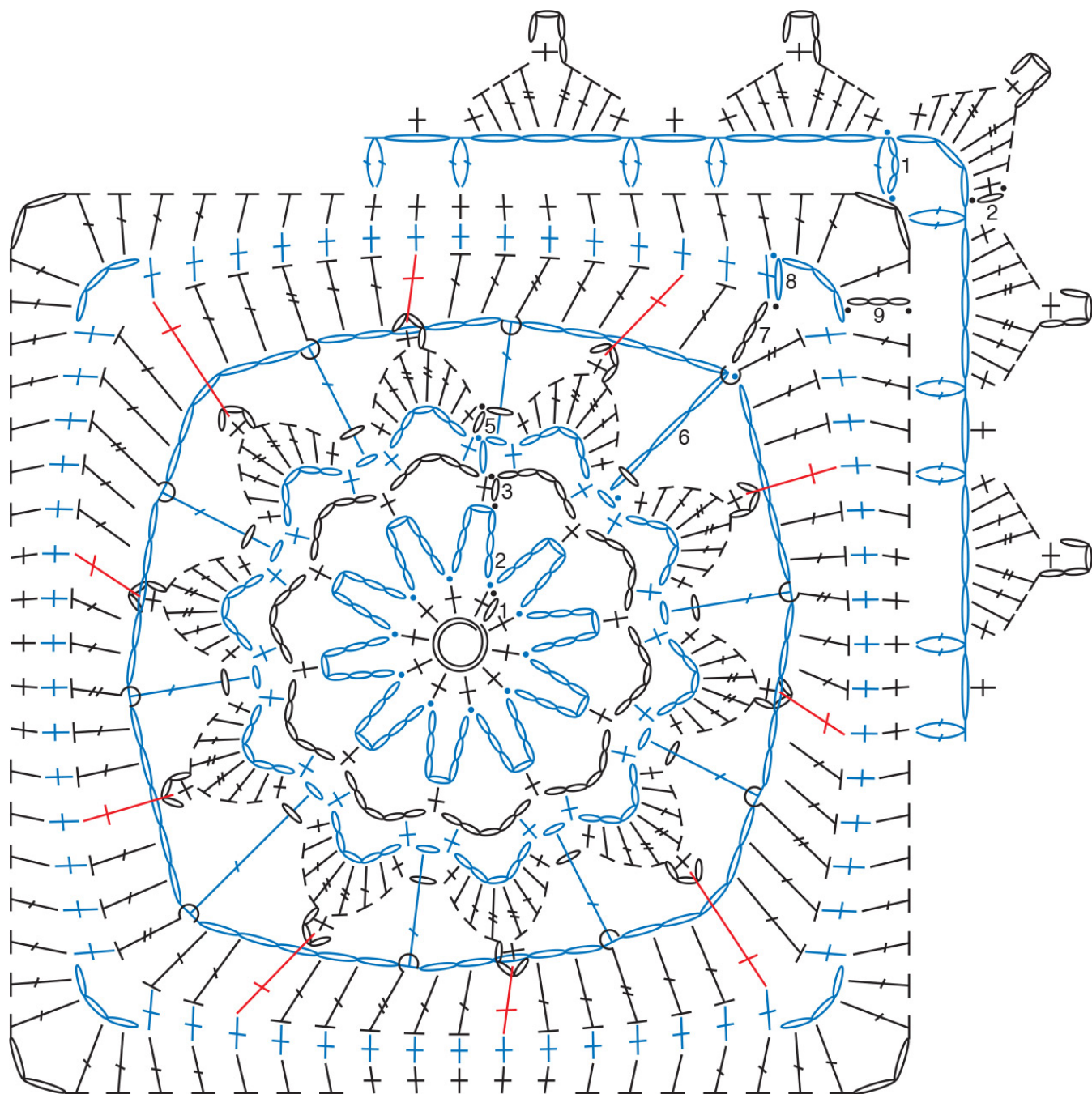
Picot: Ch 3, sc in 3rd ch from hook.

Note: Count each seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 3, dc in same st (counts as cluster for half corner), *[ch 3, skip next 3 dc, cluster next st, ch 1, sk next st, cluster in next st] across to next corner**, (cluster, ch 3, cluster) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, cluster in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st to top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B.

RND 2: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in ch-3 sp just made, ch 1, *(sc, hdc, dc, tr, picot, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in corner ch-3 sp, **(sc, hdc, dc, tr, picot, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-3 space, sc in next ch 1 sp, rep from ** across to last ch-3 sp before next corner, (sc, hdc, dc, tr, picot, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, join with Sl st in first sc. Fasten off C.





SQUARE SIX

SAVANNAH

Skill Level: Intermediate

Made with 3 colors: A, B, and C.

With A, ch 4, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, [3 dc, ch 2] 3 times in ring, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3. Fasten off A—4 ch-2 sps.

RND 2: With RS facing, join B in any ch-2 sp, ch 1, 1 sc in same sp, *sk next dc, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next dc, sk next dc**, sc in next ch-2 sp, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in first sc—8 ch-1 sps, 4 ch-2 sps. Fasten off B.

RND 3: With RS facing, join C in any ch-2 sp, ch 1, 1 sc in same sp, *ch 1, (4 dc, ch 2, 4 dc) in next sc, ch 1, sk next 3 dc**, sc in next ch-2 sp, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in first sc—8 ch-1 sps, 4 ch-2 sps. Fasten off C.

RND 4: With RS facing, join A in any ch-2 corner sp, ch 1, *(1 sc, ch 2, 1 sc) in ch-2 corner sp (corner made), 1 sc in each of next 4 dc, 1 sc in next ch-1 sp, 1 sc in next sc, 1 sc in next ch-1 sp, 1 sc in each of next 4 dc, rep from * 3 times, join with a Sl st in first sc—4 ch-2 sps.

RND 5: Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), 1 dc in same sp, *1 dc in each of next 13 dc**, (1 dc, ch 2, 1 dc) in next ch-2 sp (corner made), rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3—4 ch-2 sps. Fasten off.

spring garden

This bright and cheery child's afghan is made by mixing up the Savannah squares, making some in solid colors and some in a combination of four colors, and placing them in an interesting design. The resulting colorful afghan is as welcome as a spring garden.



Yarn:

Cascade 220 superwash, 100% washable wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 220 yd (200 m): 3 skeins #906 Chartreuse (A), 3 skeins #807 Raspberry (B), and 3 skeins #840 Iris (C)

Hook: G-6 (4 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 4" × 4" (10 × 10 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 34" × 38" (86.5 × 96.5 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Square A: Make 10 Savannah squares using solid A.

Square B: Make 9 Savannah squares using solid B.

Square C: Make 9 Savannah squares using solid C.

Square D: Make 28 Savannah squares using C for Rnd 1, A for Rnd 2, B for Rnd 3, and C for Rnds 4 and 5.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together into a rectangle, 7 squares wide by 8 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

A	D	B	D	C	D	A
D	A	D	B	D	C	D
C	D	A	D	B	D	C
D	C	D	A	D	B	D
B	D	C	D	A	D	B
D	B	D	C	D	A	D
A	D	B	D	C	D	A
D	A	D	B	D	C	D

ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

EDGING

V-st: (Dc, ch 2, dc) in same st or sp.

Note: Count each joined corner and seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

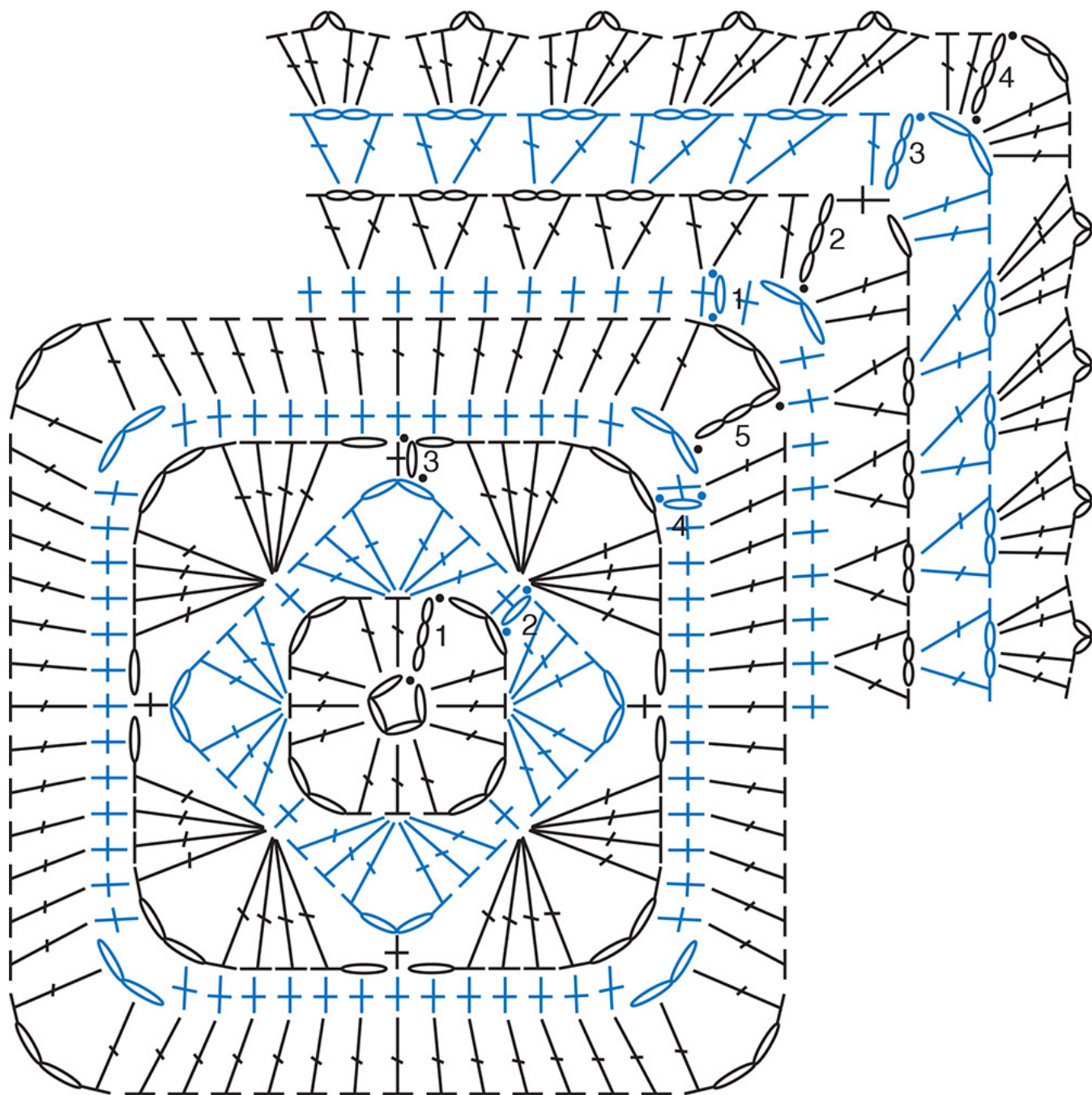
RND 1: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in first dc after any corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, sc sc in each st across to next corner, (sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 2: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner), *[sk next sc, V-st in next sc] across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 1, sc in top of beg ch-3 instead of last ch-2 sp.

RND 3: Ch 3, dc in same sp (half corner), *V-st in each V-st across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B.

RND 4: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3, 2 dc in same sp (half corner), *(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each V-st across to next corner**, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off.





frond medley

Variegated yarn is great for making granny squares. Choose one that you love, then choose some of the solid colors from that yarn to create your color palette. I really liked the colors in the Frond Variegated, so I chose the Frond Solid and Grey Heather to go with it.



Yarn:

Patons Décor, 75% acrylic/25% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 208 yd (190 m): 5 skeins #87672 Grey Heather (A), 4 skeins #87521 Frond (B), and 2 skeins #87526 Frond Variegated (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 5" × 5" (12.5 × 12.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 45" × 50" (114.5 × 127 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Square A: Make 36 Savannah squares using C for Rnds 1 and 2, B for Rnd 3, and A for Rnds 4 and 5.

Square B: Make 36 Savannah squares using B for Rnds 1 and 2, A for Rnd 3, and B for Rnds 4 and 5.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares into a rectangle, 8 squares wide by 9 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for color placement.

A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
A	B	B	B	B	B	B	A
A	B	B	B	B	B	B	A
A	B	B	A	A	B	B	A
A	B	B	A	A	B	B	A
A	B	B	A	A	B	B	A
A	B	B	B	B	B	B	A
A	B	B	B	B	B	B	A
A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A

ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

EDGING

Note: Count each joined corner ch-2 sp and each seam as sts when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in top right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2), dc in same sp (corner made), *dc in each dc across to next corner ch-2 sp**, (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last repeat at **, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3.

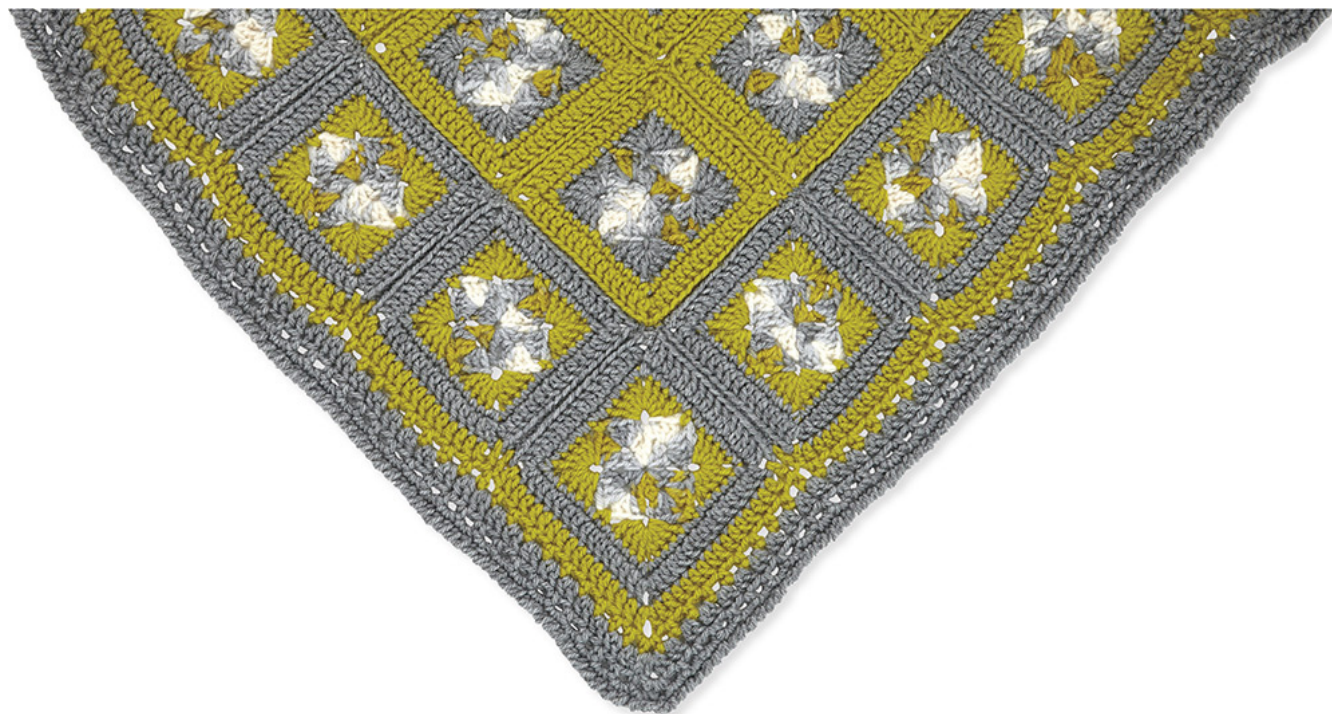
RND 2: SI st in next ch-2 sp of corner, ch 1, *(sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-2 sp, [ch 2, sk next dc, sc in next dc] across to next corner, ch 2, sk next dc, rep from * around, join with a SI st in first sc. Fasten off B.

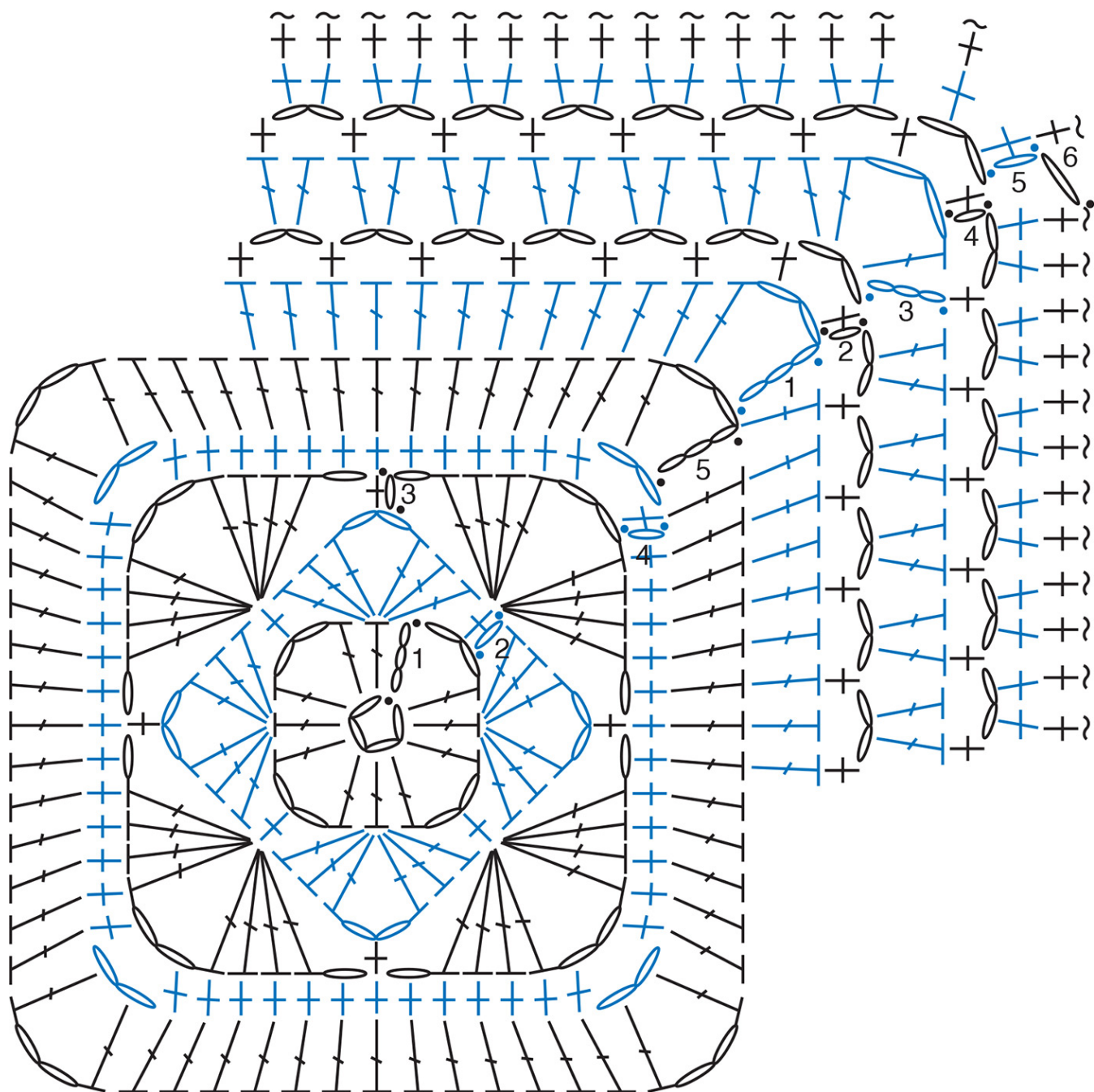
RND 3: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in first corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp (corner made), 2 dc in each ch-2 sp across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3.

RND 4: SI st in next corner ch-2 sp, rep Rnd 2.

RND 5: Ch 1, 2 sc in each ch-2 sp around, join with a SI st in first sc.

RND 6: Ch 1, working from left to right, reverse sc in each st around, join with a SI st in first reverse sc. Fasten off.





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painted desert

The Savannah square takes on a totally different look when subtle colors are chosen instead of bright, bold colors. This color combination reminds me of a desert at sunset.



Yarn:

Cascade 220, 100% Peruvian Highland wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 220 yd (200 m): Solids: 4 skeins #7830 Coral (A) and 4 skeins #8114 Dusty Rose (B); Paints: 4 skeins #9842 Coral Beach (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" (11.5 x 11.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 43" x 43" (109 x 109 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Square A: Make 40 Savannah squares using A for Rnd 1, B for Rnd 2, A for Rnd 3, and C for Rnds 4 and 5.

Square B: Make 40 Savannah squares using A for Rnd 1, C for Rnd 2, A for Rnd 3, and B for Rnds 4 and 5.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares into a rectangle, 8 squares wide by 10 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram.

B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B

ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

EDGING

Bobble: [Yo, pick up a lp in next st, yo, draw through 2 lps on hook] 3 times in same st, yo, draw through all 4 lps on the hook.

Note: Count each joined corner ch-2 sp and each seam as sts when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2 here and throughout), dc in same sp (corner made), *dc in each st across to next corner**, (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a SI st to 3rd ch of beg ch-5. Fasten off B.

RND 2: With RS facing, join C with SI st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 5, dc in same sp, *dc in each dc across to next corner**, (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * 3 times around, ending last rep at **, join with a SI st to 3rd ch of beg ch-5. Fasten off C.

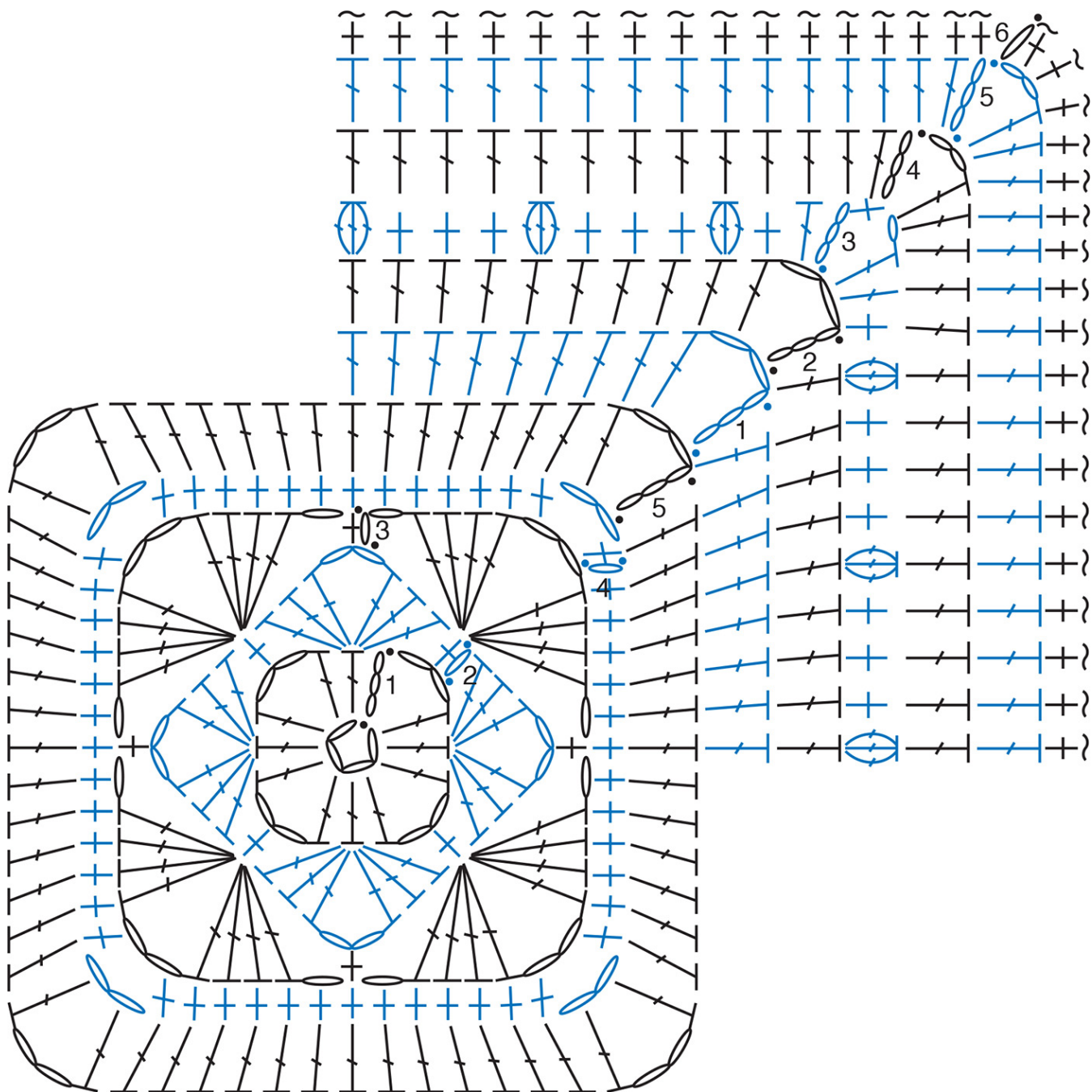
RND 3: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner made), sc in next dc, *Bobble in next st, sc in each of next 3 dc, rep from * around to within 2 st of corner, Bobble in next st, sc in next st**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 1, sc in top of beg ch-3 instead of last ch-2 sp.

RND 4: Ch 3, dc in same sp (half corner made), *dc in each st across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

RND 5: With RS facing, join B with a SI st in any corner, rep Rnd 4. Fasten off B.

RND 6: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in first dc after any corner ch-2 sp, ch 1 working from left to right, reverse sc in each st around, join with a SI st in first reverse sc. Fasten off.





SQUARE SEVEN

PINK COSMOS

Skill Level: Intermediate

Made with 4 colors: A, B, C, and D.

Notions: One 6 mm crystal bead (optional).

Triple crochet 3 together (tr3tog): *Yo (twice), draw up a loop in designated st, [yo, draw through 2 loops on hook] twice in same st, rep from * twice, yo, draw through all 4 loops on hook.

With A, ch 4, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: Ch 1, 8 sc in ring, join with a Sl st in first sc—8 sc.

RND 2: Ch 1, working in BL only, (sc, ch 5) in each sc around, join with a Sl st in first sc—8 ch-5 loops.

RND 3: Ch 1, (sc, hdc, dc, tr, dc, hdc, sc) in each ch-5 loop around, join with a Sl st in first sc—8 petals. Fasten off A.

RND 4: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in center tr of any petal, ch 3, *(tr3tog, [ch 2, tr3tog] twice) in center tr of petal, ch 3, sc in center tr of next petal, ch 3, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off C.

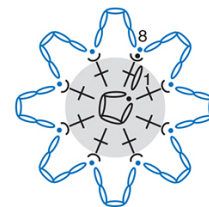
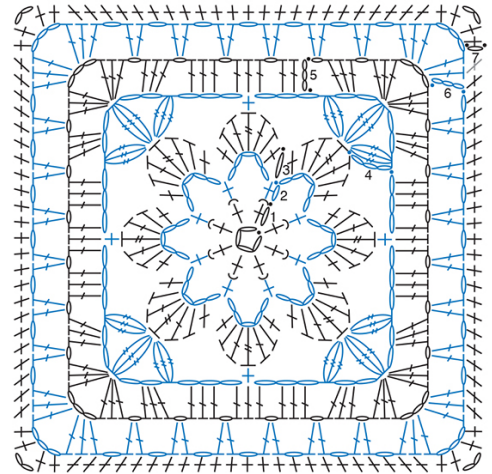
RND 5: With RS facing, join D with a Sl st in first ch-3 space after any corner group, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), (2 dc, ch 1, dc) in same sp, *dc in next sc, (dc, ch 1, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next tr3tog (corner), ch 1, 3 dc in next ch-2 sp, ch 1**, (3 dc, ch 1, dc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off D.

RND 6: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in same sp (corner), *(ch 1, 2 dc) in each of next 6 ch-1 sps, ch 1**, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp (corner), rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

RND 7: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, *(2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in corner ch-3 sp, sk next dc, [sc in each of the next 2 dc, sc in next ch-1 sp] 7 times, sc in each of the next 2 dc, sk next dc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off B.

CENTER FLOWER

RND 8: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in remaining front loop in Rnd 1, working in front loops in Rnd 1, (ch 5, Sl st) in each sc around—8 ch-5 loops. Fasten off B. Sew bead in center of flower.



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autumn

I borrowed this unusual color combination from my student Maureen Boyle, who used it for her homework in one of my classes. Though she randomly chose colors from her stash, the blanket is a stunning success!



Yarn:

Red Heart Soft 100% acrylic, 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m): 3 skeins #9518 Teal (A), 3 skeins #97794 Berry (B), 4 skeins #9523 Dark Leaf (C), and 3 skeins #4422 Tangerine (D)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 8" × 8" (20.5 × 20.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 51" × 59" (129.5 × 150 cm)

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Make 42 Pink Cosmos squares using A for Rnds 1–3, C for Rnds 4 and 6, D for Rnd 5, and B for Rnds 7 and 8.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares into a rectangle, 6 squares wide by 7 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)).

EDGING

Note: Count each joined corner and seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

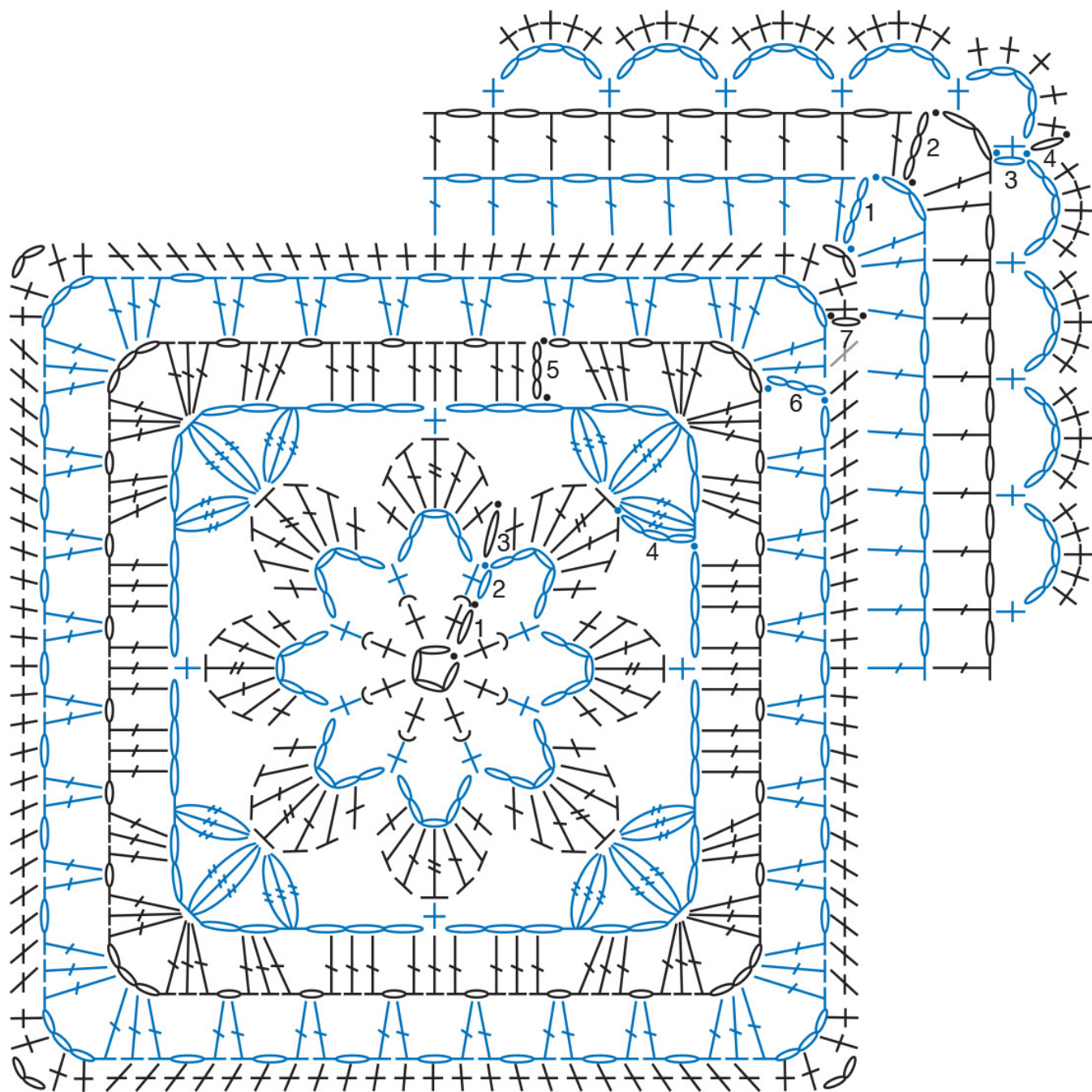
RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in top right corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc, here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner), *[ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st] across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same ch-2 sp as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st to top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B.

RND 2: With RS facing, join A in last corner ch-2 sp, ch 3, dc in same sp (half corner), *ch 1, sk next dc, dc in next dc, [ch 1, dc next dc] across to next corner, ch 1**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

RND 3: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in last corner ch-2 sp, ch 1, *(sc, ch 5, sc) in corner ch-2 sp (corner), ch 5, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, [ch 5, sk next dc, sc in next dc] across to next corner, rep from * around, join with a Sl st to in first sc.

RND 4: Ch 1, 5 sc in each ch-5 sp around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 20

big bold granny

Take granny squares to a new level. Make a Big Bold Granny using the Pink Cosmos square and a thick, quick, soft blend of lamb's wool and acrylic yarn. This fun project works up quickly and is cozy and warm; it makes a great gift, too.



Yarn:

Lion Brand Wool-Ease Thick & Quick, 80% acrylic/20% wool, 6 oz (170 g), 108 yd (98 m): 4 skeins Citron (A), 2 skeins Pumpkin (B), 2 skeins Cilantro (C), and 4 skeins Wood (D)

Hook: M (9 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 15" × 15" (38 × 38 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 50" × 65" (127 × 165 cm)

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Make 12 Pink Cosmos squares replacing all triple crochet 3 together (tr3tog) in Rnd 4 with triple crochet 2 together (tr2tog) as follows:

Triple crochet 2 together (tr2tog): *Yo (twice), draw up a loop in designated st, [yo, draw through 2 loops on hook] twice, rep from * once in same st, yo, draw through all 3 lps on hook.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together into a rectangle, 3 squares wide by 4 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)).

EDGING

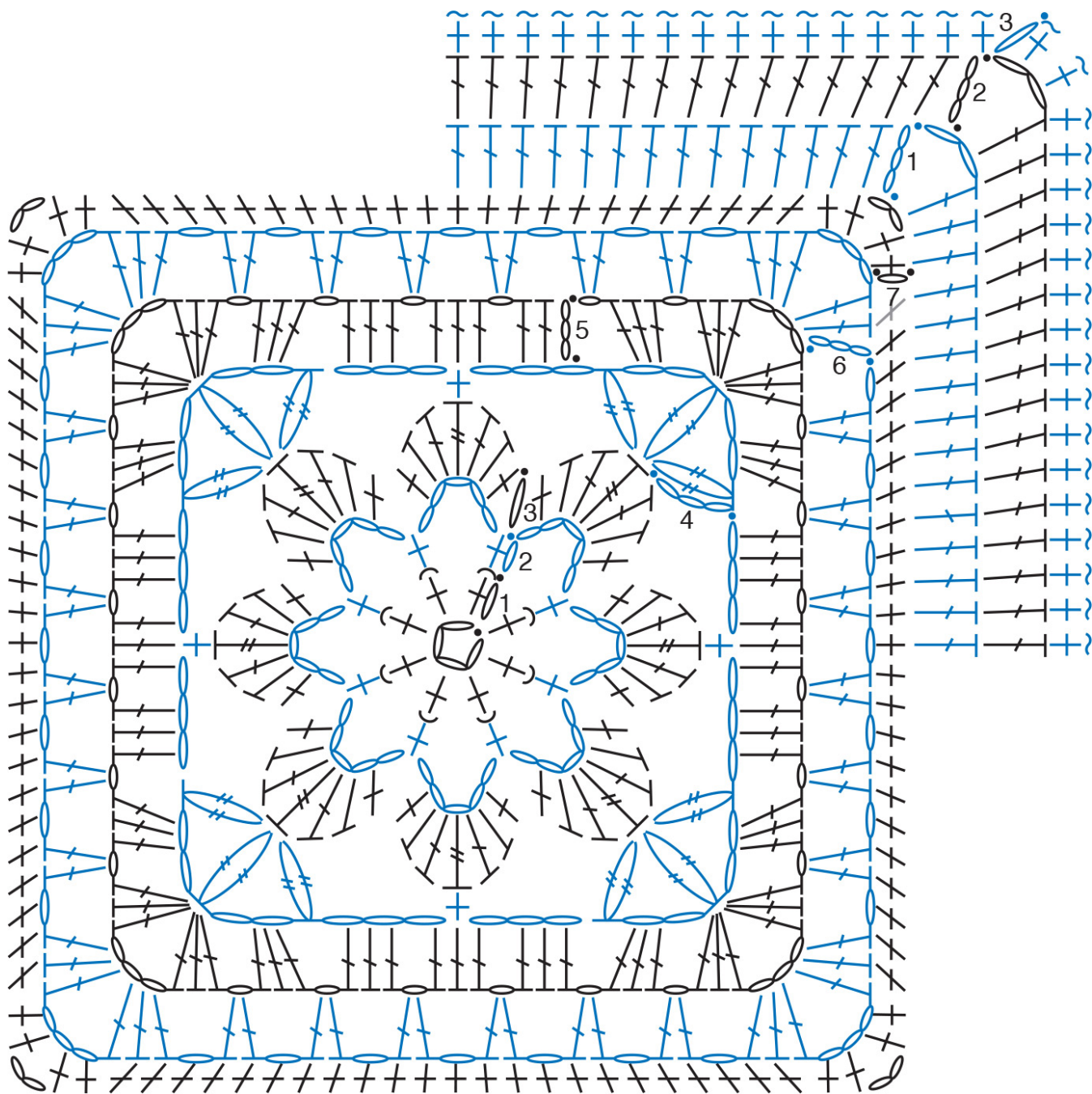
Note: Count each joined corner and seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 space, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), *dc in each st across to next corner ch-2 space**, (dc, ch 2, dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch 3. Fasten off C.

RND 2: With RS facing, join D with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, rep Rnd 1.

RND 3: Ch 1, working from left to right, reverse sc in each st around, join with a Sl st in first reverse sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 21

arianne

All of the squares in this blanket are the same, but some are worked in solid colors, some in multiple colors, and some without the center flower. This created interesting variety without worrying about matching square sizes.



Yarn:

Red Heart Soft, 100% acrylic, 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m): 3 skeins #9851 Royal Blue (A), 3 skeins #9010 Charcoal (B), and 2 skeins #4608 Wine (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 7" × 7" (18 × 18 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 47" × 47" (119.5 × 119.5 cm)

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

SQUARES

Square A: Make 18 Pink Cosmos squares using B for Rnds 1, 2, 3, and 5; A for Rnds 4 and 6; and C for Rnds 6 and 8.

Square B: Make 9 Pink Cosmos squares using B for Rnds 1–7, omit Rnd 8.

Square C: Make 9 Pink Cosmos squares using A for Rnds 1–7, omit Rnd 8.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, 6 squares wide by 6 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

B	A	C	A	B	A
A	C	A	B	A	C
C	A	B	A	C	A
A	B	A	C	A	B
B	A	C	A	B	A
A	C	A	B	A	C

EDGING

Note: When working Rnd 1 of Edging, work all dcs in scs of squares. Count (corner sp, seam, next corner sp) as 1 st, working "ch 1, sk next st" over each corner junction.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner), ch 1, [dc in each of the next 3 sc, ch 1, sk 1 st] across to 3 sts before next corner, dc in each of next 3 sc, ch 1**, (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp (corner made), rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B.

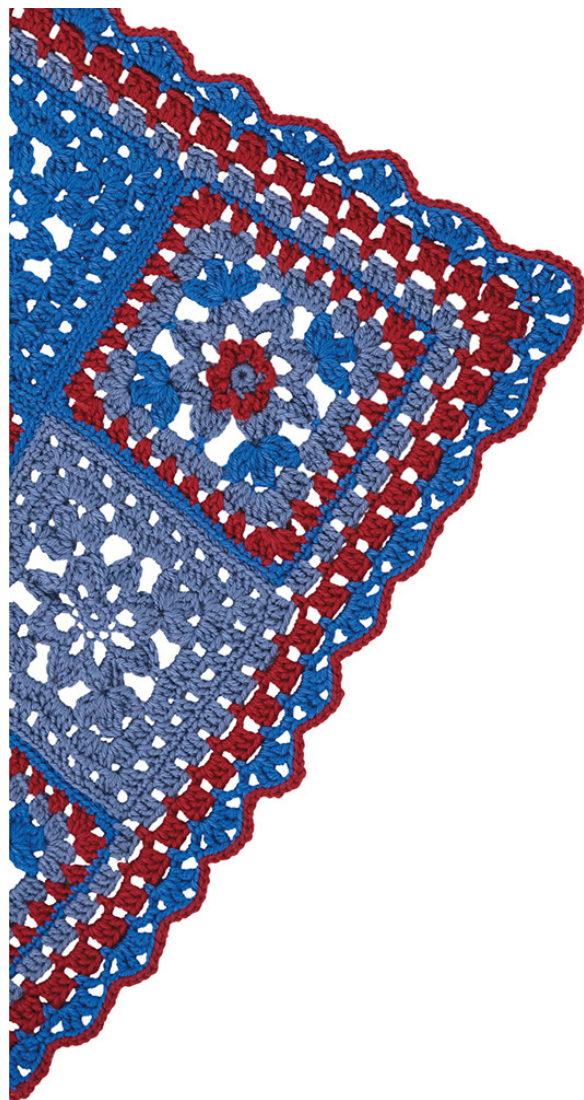
RND 2: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, (sc, ch 5, sc) in same sp, *(ch 5, sc) in each ch-1 sp across to next corner, ch 5**, (sc, ch 5, sc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in first sc.

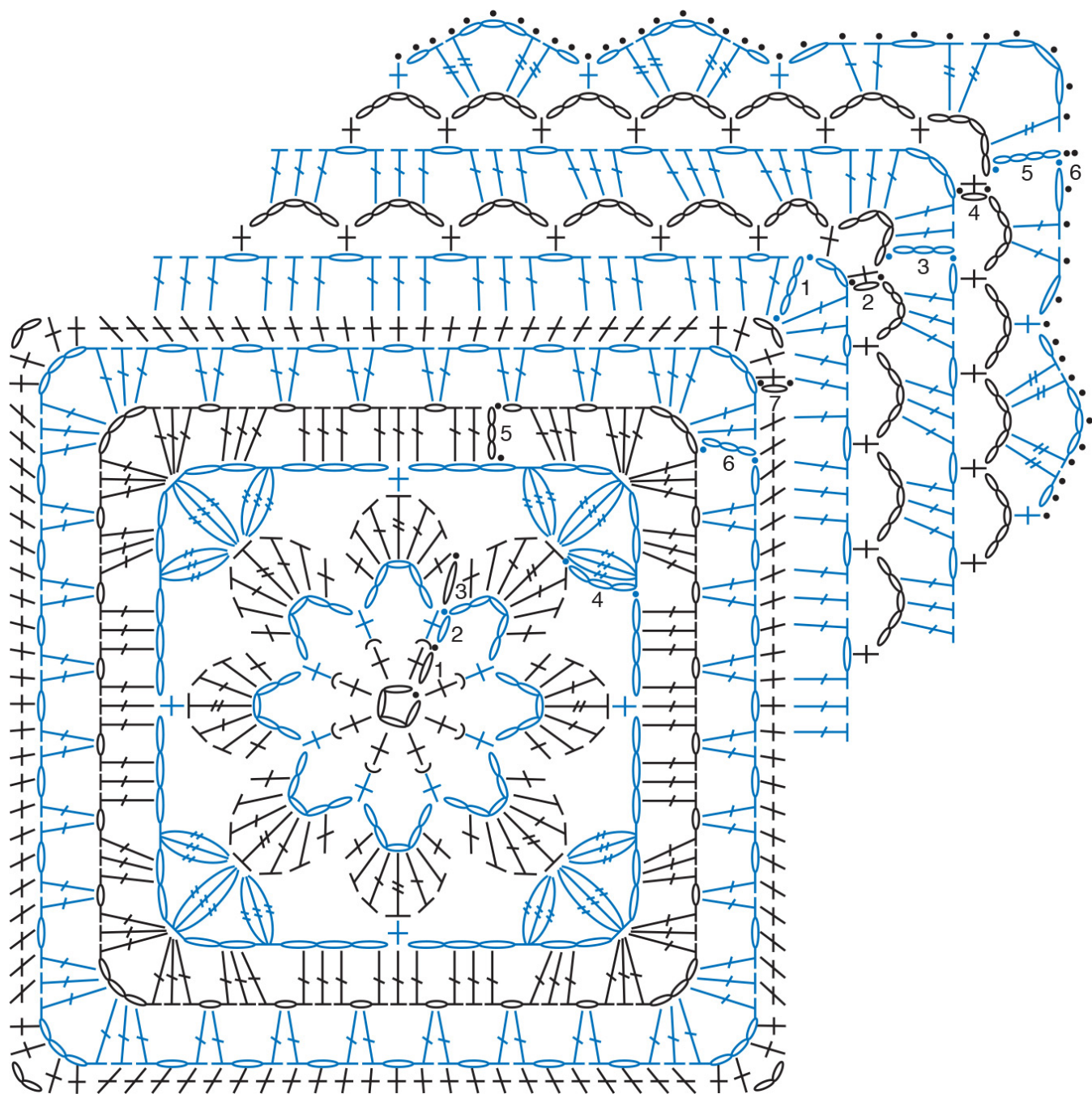
RND 3: Sl st in next corner ch-5 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch-3, 3 dc) in same sp (corner), (3 dc, ch 1) in each ch-5 sp across to next corner**, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off C.

RND 4: With A, rep Rnd 2.

RND 5: Sl st in next corner ch-5 sp, ch 4 (counts as tr), (tr, ch 3, 2 tr) in corner ch-5 sp (corner), ch 1, 2 dc in next ch-5 sp, *ch 1, sc in next ch-5 sp, ch 1**, (2 tr, ch 3, 2 tr) in next ch-5 sp, rep from * across to next corner, ending last rep at ** in 2nd ch-5 sp before corner, 2 dc in next ch-5 sp, ch 1***, (2 tr, ch 3, 2 tr) in corner sp, rep from * around, ending last repeat at ***, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

RND 6: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in first tr of any corner, work a Sl st in each st and each ch around, join with a Sl st in first Sl st. Fasten off.





SQUARE EIGHT

STAR GRASS

Skill Level: Easy

Made with 3 colors: A, B, and C.

Double triple crochet (dtr): Yo (3 times), insert hook in next sp, yo, draw yarn through sp, [yo, draw yarn through 2 loops on hook] 4 times.

With A, ch 6, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: With A, ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 3, [3 dc, ch 3] 5 times in ring, Sl st in the 3rd ch of beg ch-3—6 ch-3 sps. Fasten off A.

RND 2: With RS facing, join B in any ch-3 sp, ch 5, (2 dtr, ch 3, 3 dtr) in same ch-3 sp, (3 dtr, ch 3, 3 dtr) in each ch-3 sp around, join with a Sl st in 5th ch of beg ch-5—6 ch-3 sps. Fasten off B.

RND 3: With RS facing, join C in any ch-3 sp, ch 3, 2 tr in same sp (half corner made), *ch 2, sk next 3 dtr, 1 dc in sp between last skipped and next dtr, ch 2, sk next 3 dtr, (3 tr, ch 3, 3 tr) in next ch-3 sp (corner made), ch 2, sk next 3 dtr, 1 dc in sp between last skipped and next dtr, ch 2, sk next 3 dtr, 1 sc in next ch-3 sp, ch 2, sk next 3 dtr, 1 dc in sp between last skipped and next dtr, ch 2, sk next 3 dtr*, (3 tr, ch 3, 3 tr) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * to * once, 3 tr in same corner as beg half corner, ch 3, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-3 (completes corner).

RND 4: With C, ch 1, work 1 sc in each st, 2 sc in each ch-2 sp, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in each corner ch-3 sp around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off C.

BLANKET: 22

carnival

Try an afghan in really bright colors, just for fun or to brighten up a room. The Star Grass granny square, sewn on point with tassels added at the end of each point, is just the thing to make you smile.



Yarn:

Plymouth Yarn Encore, 75% acrylic/25% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 200 yd (184 m): 4 skeins #0459 Lagoon (A), 3 skeins #0137 California Pink (B), and 3 skeins #1382 Bright Yellow (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = $5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6''$ (14 × 15 cm)

Note: This granny square is really a rectangle.

Finished Size: Approximately $43'' \times 58''$ (109 × 147.5 cm)

Skill Level: Easy

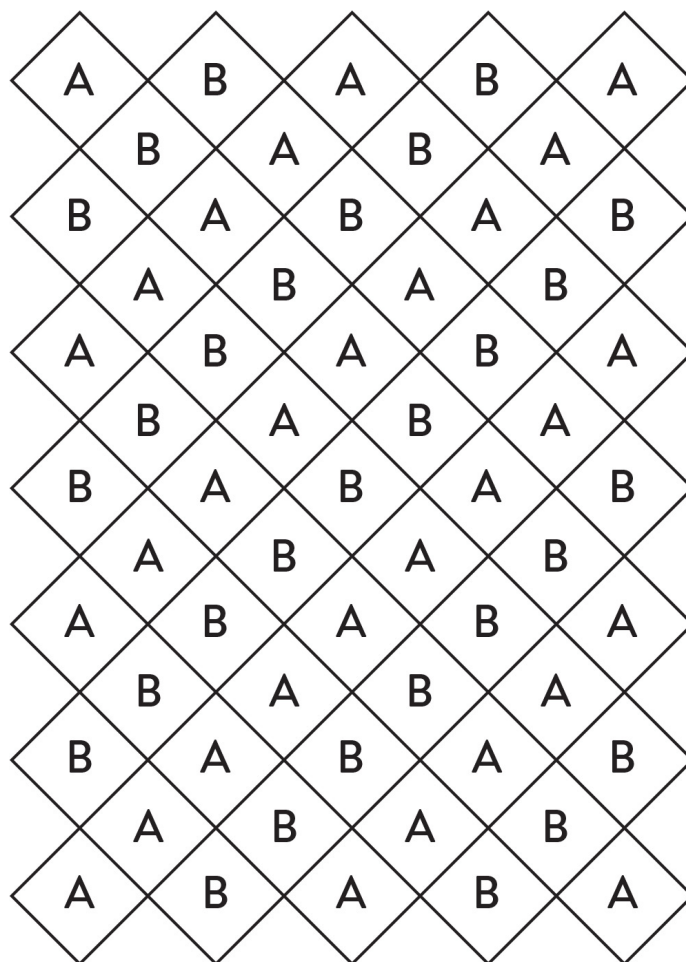
SQUARES

Square A: Make 30 Star Grass squares using B for Rnd 1, C for Rnd 2, and A for Rnd 3.

Square B: Make 29 Star Grass squares using C for Rnd 1, B for Rnd 2, and A for Rnd 3.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram, and being careful to match long sides to long sides, short sides to short sides.



ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

EDGING

Note: Count each joined corner ch-3 sp as a st, sk each seam.

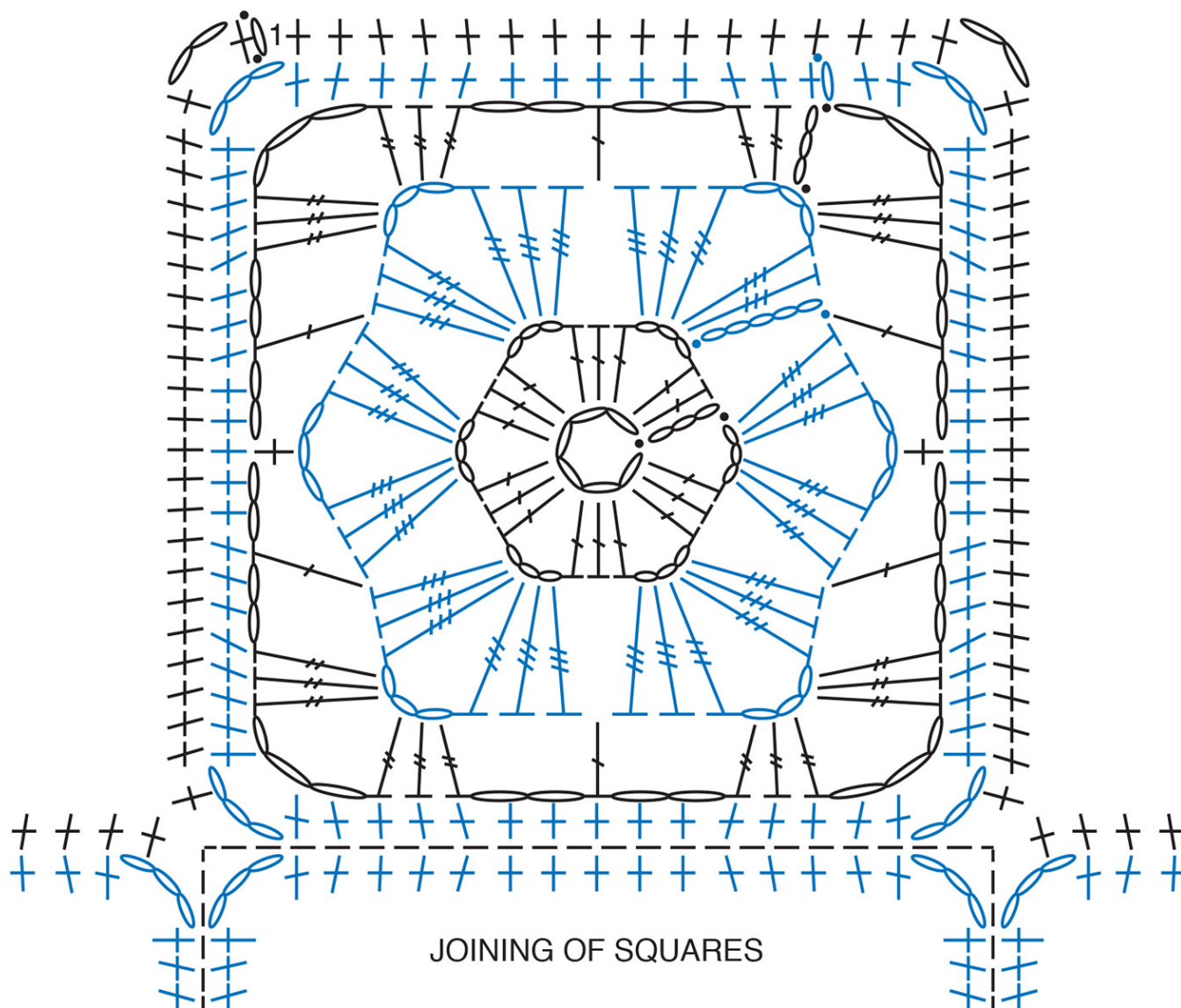
RND 1: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in bottom right corner sp, ch 1, ******(sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-3 sp (corner made), *sc in each sc across to next joined ch-3 sp, sc in joined ch-3 sp, sk seam, sc in next joined ch-3 sp, sc in each sc until next ch-3 sp, (sc, ch 2, sc) in sp (corner made), rep from * across to next corner square, sc in each sc across to next corner, rep from ****** around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

TASSELS (MAKE 24)

Cut 10 strands of A, each 18" (45.5 cm) long. Fold bundle in half, using a crochet hook draw the folded end through each corner ch-3 sp about 2" (5 cm) to form a loop, bring strands of yarn through loop, and tighten into a knot. Trim edges if needed.



EDGING



JOINING OF SQUARES

BLANKET: 23

rustic cabin

I love trying different color combinations and playing with different placement of squares. The Star Grass square takes on a really different look in this unusual color combination and square placement.



Yarn:

Patons Décor, 75% acrylic/25% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 208 yd (190 m): 4 skeins #87105 Oceanside (A), 3 skeins #87532 Rustic (B), and 1 skein #87430 Coral (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 5" × 6 1/2" (12.5 × 16.5 cm)

Note: This granny square is really a rectangle, with one side longer than the other. When joining squares, be sure to match up long sides for length, short sides for width.

Finished Size: Approximately 46" × 58" (117 × 147.5 cm)

Skill Level: Easy

SQUARES

Make 64 Star Grass squares, 32 in each color combination, adding a Rnd 5 to each square as follows:

RND 5: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, *(sc, ch 2, sc) in corner ch-3 sp (corner), sc in each sc across to next corner, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Square A: Make 32 using B for Rnds 1 and 5, C for Rnd 2, and A for Rnds 3 and 4.

Square B: Make 32 using C for Rnd 1, B for Rnds 2 and 5, and A for Rnds 3 and 4.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares into a rectangle, 8 squares wide by 8 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

A	A	B	A	B	A	B	B
A	A	B	A	B	A	B	B
B	B	B	A	B	A	A	A
A	A	A	A	B	B	B	B
B	B	B	B	A	A	A	A
A	A	A	B	A	B	B	B
B	B	A	B	A	B	A	A
B	B	A	B	A	B	A	A

EDGING

Note: Count each joined ch-2 sp as a st and count each seam as 2 sts to be skipped when working a ch-2 sp over seam.

RND 1: With RS facing, join first color with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner made), *ch 2, sk next 2 sc (or seam), [dc in next st sc] across to 2 sts before next corner, ch 2, sk next 2 sc**, (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 1, hdc in top of beg ch-3 instead of last ch-3 sp.

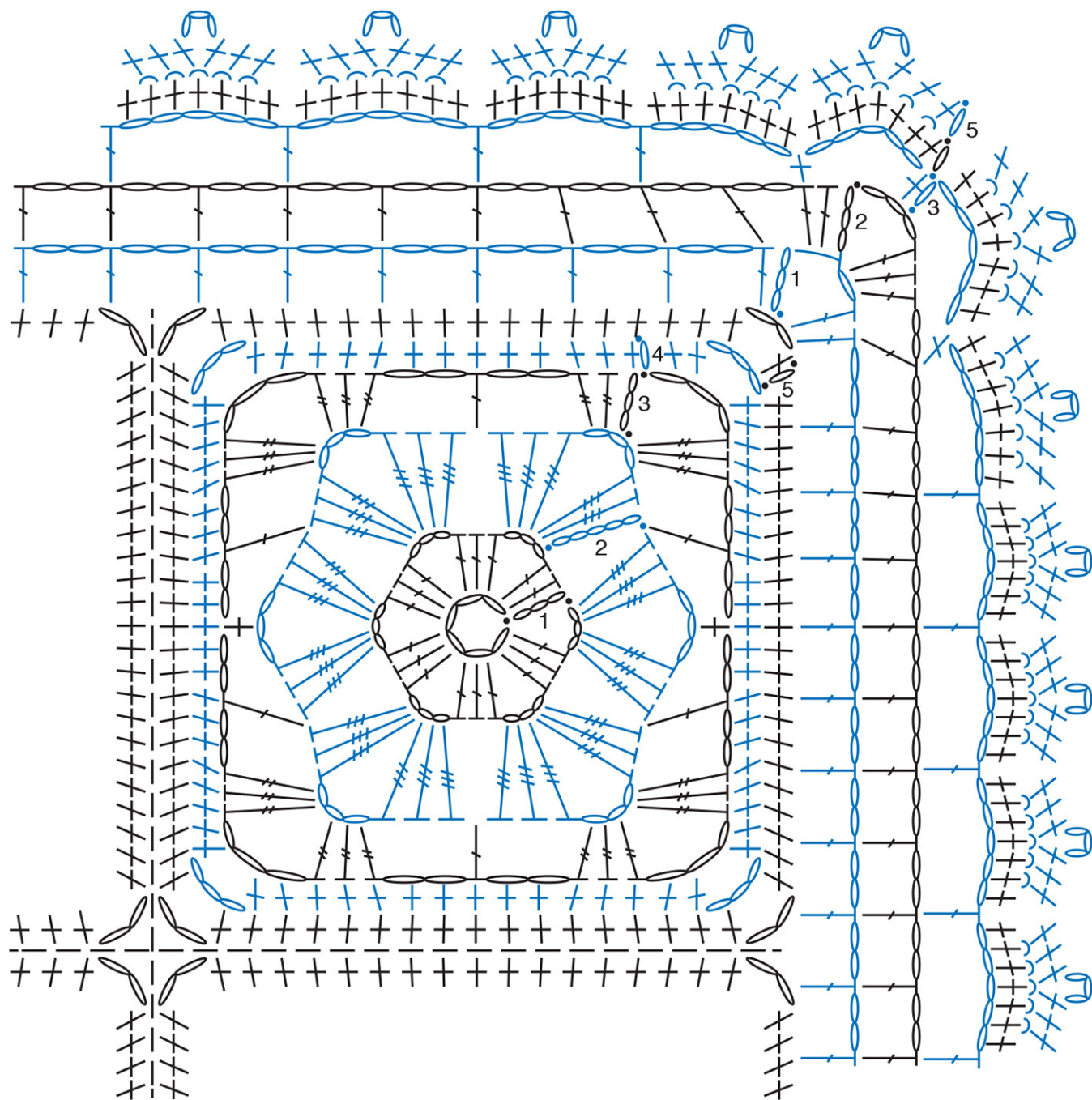
RND 2: Ch 3, work 2 dc in same corner sp (half corner), ch 2, sk next dc, dc in next dc, *[ch 2, sk next ch-2 sp, dc in next dc] across to 1 st before next corner, ch 2, sk next dc**, (3 dc, ch-3, 3 dc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B.

RND 3: With RS facing, join 2nd color with a Sl st in last ch-3 sp made, ch 1, *sc in corner ch-3 sp, ch 5, sk next 2 dc, sc in next dc, [ch 5, sk next dc, dc in next dc] across to within last ch-2 sp of next corner, ch 5, sk next 3 dc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 4: Ch 1, work 7 sc in each ch-5 sp around, join with a Sl st to first sc. Fasten off 2nd color.

RND 5: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in corner sc, ch 1, working in BL only, sk next sc, *sc in each of next 2 sc, (sc, ch 3, sc) in next sc, sc in each of the net 2 sc, sk next 2 sc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 24

chloe

By changing the weight of the yarn used and the size of the hook, most squares will make a delightful baby blanket or child's afghan. Lion Brand superwash merino is a perfect example of this, and the yardage is fantastic.



Yarn:

Lion Brand superwash merino, 100% superwash merino, 3.5 oz (100 g), 306 yd (280 m): 4 skeins #107 Sky (A), 1 skein #098 Ivory (B), and 1 skein #114 Cayenne (C)

Hook: G-6 (4 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 4" wide × 4 1/2" long (10 × 11.5 cm)

Note: This granny square is really a rectangle, with one side longer than the other. When joining squares, be sure to match up long sides for length, short sides for width.

Finished Size: Approximately 36" × 40" (91.4 × 101.6 cm), including edging

Skill Level: Easy

SQUARES

Square A: Make 24 Star Grass squares using C for Rnd 1, B for Rnd 2, and A for Rnds 3 and 4.

Square B: Make 40 Star Grass squares using B for Rnd 1, C for Rnd 2, and A for Rnds 3 and 4.

ASSEMBLY

Crochet squares together, 8 squares wide by 8 squares long, using the Single Crochet method explained below (see [page 126](#)), following the Assembly Diagram for placement. Be sure to place all short sides across, all long sides from top to bottom.

Joining Row (squares): With RS of 2 squares facing, working through double thickness of short sides, join A with a Sl st in 2 adjacent in corner ch-3 sps, ch 1, sc in corner ch-3 sps, *ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st, rep from * across, ending with sc in last ch-3 sp. Fasten off. Rep Joining Row to join 8 squares in each strip.

Joining Row (strips): With RS of 2 strips facing, working through double thickness of sides of strips, join A with a Sl st in 2 adjacent in corner ch-3 sps, ch 1, sc in corner ch-3 sps, *ch 3, sk next 3 sts, sc in next st, rep from * across, working a sc in each Joining Row between squares, ending with sc in last ch-3 sp. Fasten off. Rep Joining Row to join rem 6 strips.

A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
A	B	B	B	B	B	B	A
A	B	A	A	A	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	A	A	A	B	A
A	B	B	B	B	B	B	A
A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A

ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

EDGING

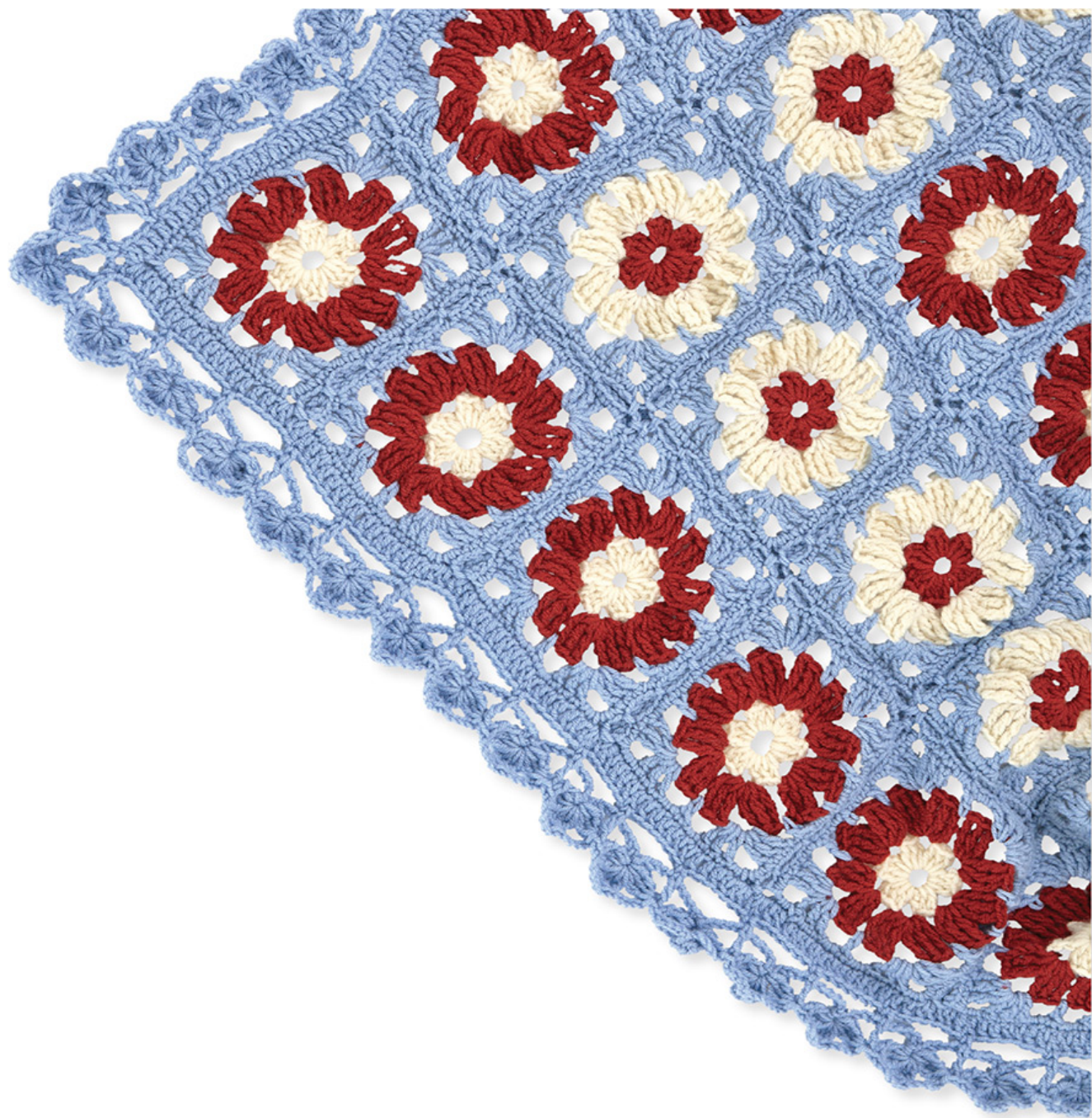
Picot: Ch 4, Sl st in 4th ch from hook.

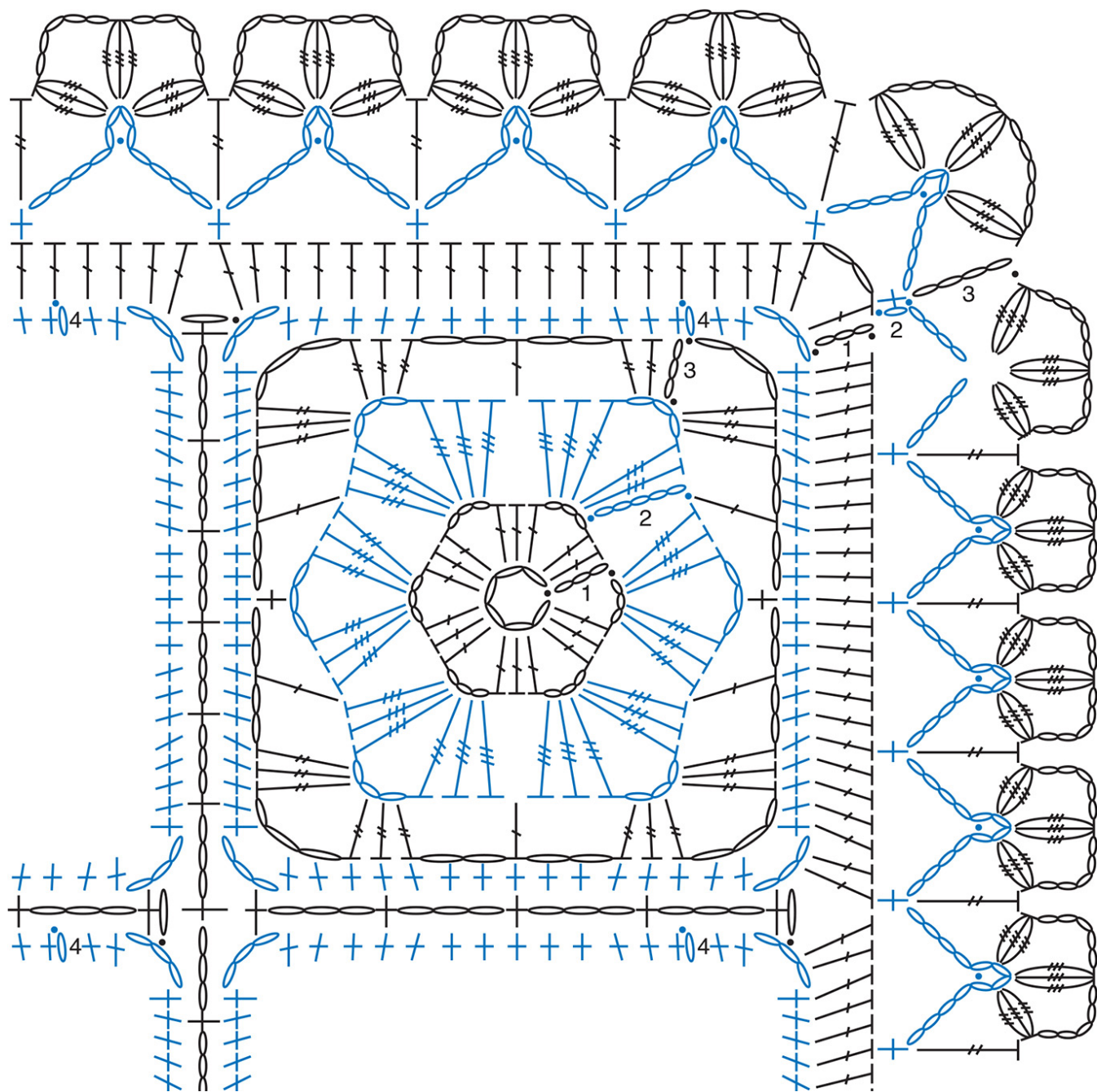
*Dtr3tog: *Yo (3 times), pick up a lp in designated st, [yo, draw yarn through 2 lps on hook] 3 times, rep from * twice, yo, draw yarn through 4 lps on hook.*

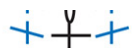
RND 1: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp, dc in each st across to next corner, work 2 dc in each joined corner ch-3 sp, sk each seam, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3.

RND 2: Ch 1, sc in first st, *ch 4, picot, ch 4, sk next ch-2 sp, sc in next dc, [ch 4, picot, ch 4, sk next 5 dc, sc in next dc] across to next corner, rep from * around, omitting last sc, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 3: Ch 4 (counts as tr), *(dtr3tog, ch 5, dtr3tog, ch 5, dtr3tog) in next picot**, tr in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-4.







SQUARE NINE

WATERMELON

Skill Level: Intermediate

Made with 4 colors: A, B, C, and D. **Notions:** Six 8 mm round jet beads.

With A, make an adjustable loop ([page 124](#)).

RND 1: Ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in ring, ch 1, [2 dc, ch 1] 5 times in ring, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3, tighten ring—6 ch-1 sps.

RND 2: Sl st in next dc and next ch-1 sp, ch 3, 4 dc in same ch-1 sp, ch 1, (5 dc, ch 1) in each ch-1 sp around, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3—6 ch-1 sps.

RND 3: Ch 3, dc in next dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in each of the next 2 dc, ch 1, *dc in each of next 2 dc, 3 dc in next dc, dc in each of the next 2 dc, ch 1, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3—42 dc; 6 ch-1 sps. Join B. Do not fasten off A.

RND 4: With B, ch 1, starting in same st, *sc each of next 7 dc, sc in next ch-1 sp, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc, draw up a loop of A—48 sc. Fasten off B.

RND 5: With A, ch 1, starting in same st, *sc in each of 7 sc, 2 sc in next sc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc—54 sc. Fasten off B.

RND 6: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in any sc, ch 1, starting in same st, *sc in each of 8 sc, 2 sc in next sc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc—60 sc. Fasten off C.

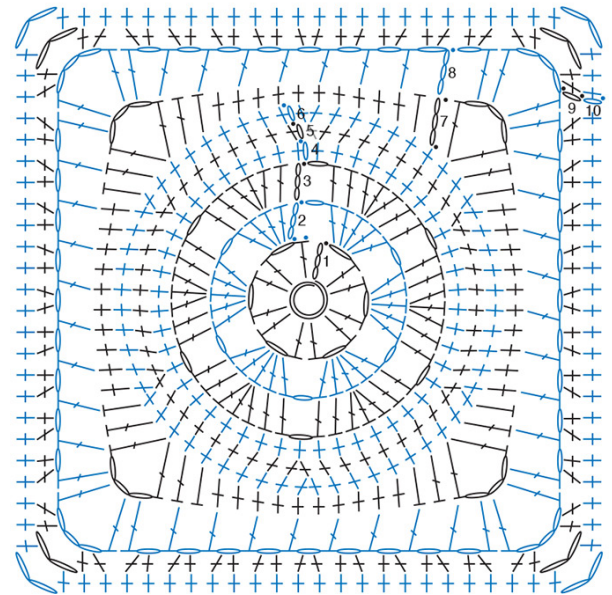
RND 7: With RS facing, join D with a Sl st in any sc, ch 3, *hdc in next sc, sc in each of next 10 sc, hdc in next sc, dc in next sc, (dc, ch 3, dc) in next sc (corner)**, dc in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3—16 sts on each side; 4 ch-3 corner sps. Fasten off D.

RND 8: Ch 4 (counts as dc, ch 1), [sk next st, dc in next st, ch 1] 7 times, *(2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, sk next st**, dc in next st, ch 1, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4—9 ch-1 sps on each side; 4 corner ch-3 sps. Fasten off D.

RND 9: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, *(2 sc, ch 2, 2 sc) in corner ch-3 sp, 2 sc in each of the next 9 ch-1 sps, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 10: Ch 1, sc in each of first 2 sc, *(sc, ch 2, sc) in next corner ch-2 sp**, sc in each of the next 22 sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sc in each of the next 20 sc, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off C.

Sew beads in center as pictured.



BLANKET: 25

circles in the square

Don't let the name of this square fool you. I wanted to make a more solid, really warm blanket, in colors that might please the men in your life, and this square fit the bill perfectly.



Yarn:

Plymouth Yarn Encore, 75% acrylic/25% wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 200 yd (183 m): 4 skeins #0217 Black (A), 3 skeins #1203 Lt. Brownstone (B), 3 skeins #1383 Bright Orange (C), and 3 skeins #0194 Medium Grey Heather (D)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 7" × 7" (18 × 18 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 42" × 49" (106.5 × 124.5 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Square A: Make 10 Watermelon squares (omitting seeds), using D for Rnds 1–3, C for Rnds 4–8, and A for Rnds 9 and 10.

Square B: Make 10 Watermelon squares (omitting seeds), using C for Rnds 1–3, D for Rnds 4–8, and A for Rnds 9 and 10.

Square C: Make 10 Watermelon squares (omitting seeds), using C for Rnds 1–3, B for Rnds 4–8, and A for Rnds 9 and 10.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares into a rectangle, 6 squares wide by 7 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

A	B	C	B	A
B	C	A	C	B
C	A	B	A	C
A	B	C	B	A
B	C	A	C	B
C	A	B	A	C

ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

EDGING

RND 1: With RS facing, join C with a SI st in bottom right-hand corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp (corner), *[ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st] across to next corner, ch-1**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off C.

RND 2: With RS facing, join A with a SI st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3, (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp (corner), *dc in each st and sp across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a SI st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

RND 3: With D, rep Rnd 1. Fasten off D.

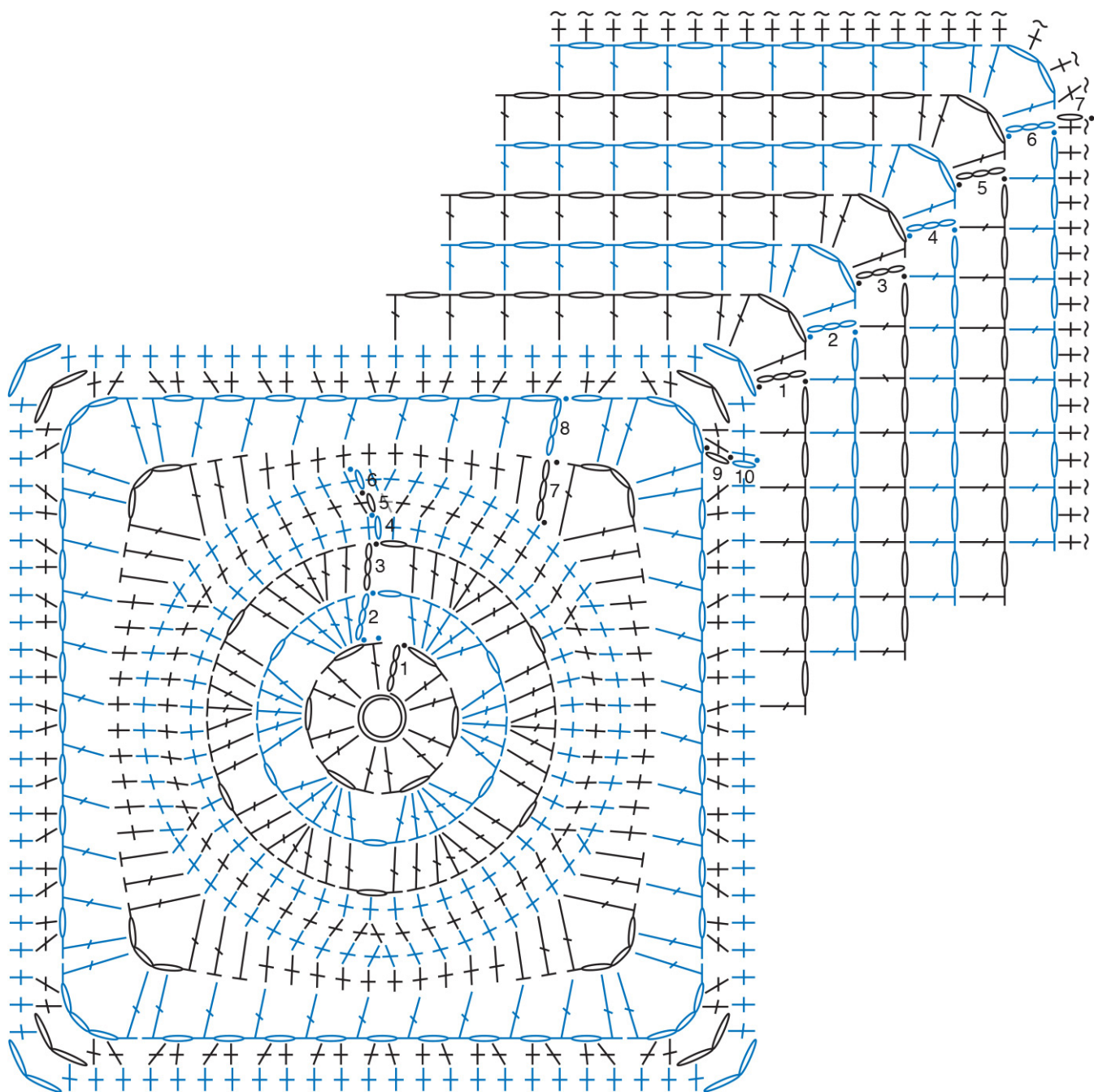
RND 4: With A, rep Rnd 2. Fasten off A.

RND 5: With B, rep Rnd 1. Fasten off B.

RND 6: With A, rep Rnd 2.

RND 7: Ch 1, working from left to right, reverse sc in each st around, join with a SI st in first reverse sc. Fasten off.





scrapghan

I have used this yarn for many projects, so I had quite a bit of it, all different colors, left over. A Scrapghan like this one is a really fun blanket that would make a great addition to a college dorm room.



Yarn:

Vanna's Choice, 100% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 170 yd (156 m): 3 skeins #153 Black (MC), several colors of any worsted weight yarn (CC)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 7" × 7" (18 × 18 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 38" × 45" (96.5 × 114.5 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Make 30 Watermelon squares (omitting seeds), using MC for Rnds 4, 5, 6, 9, and 10, and a variety of CCs for Rnds 1, 2, 3, 7, and 8.

ASSEMBLY

Join squares into a rectangle, 5 squares wide by 6 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)) on WS.

EDGING

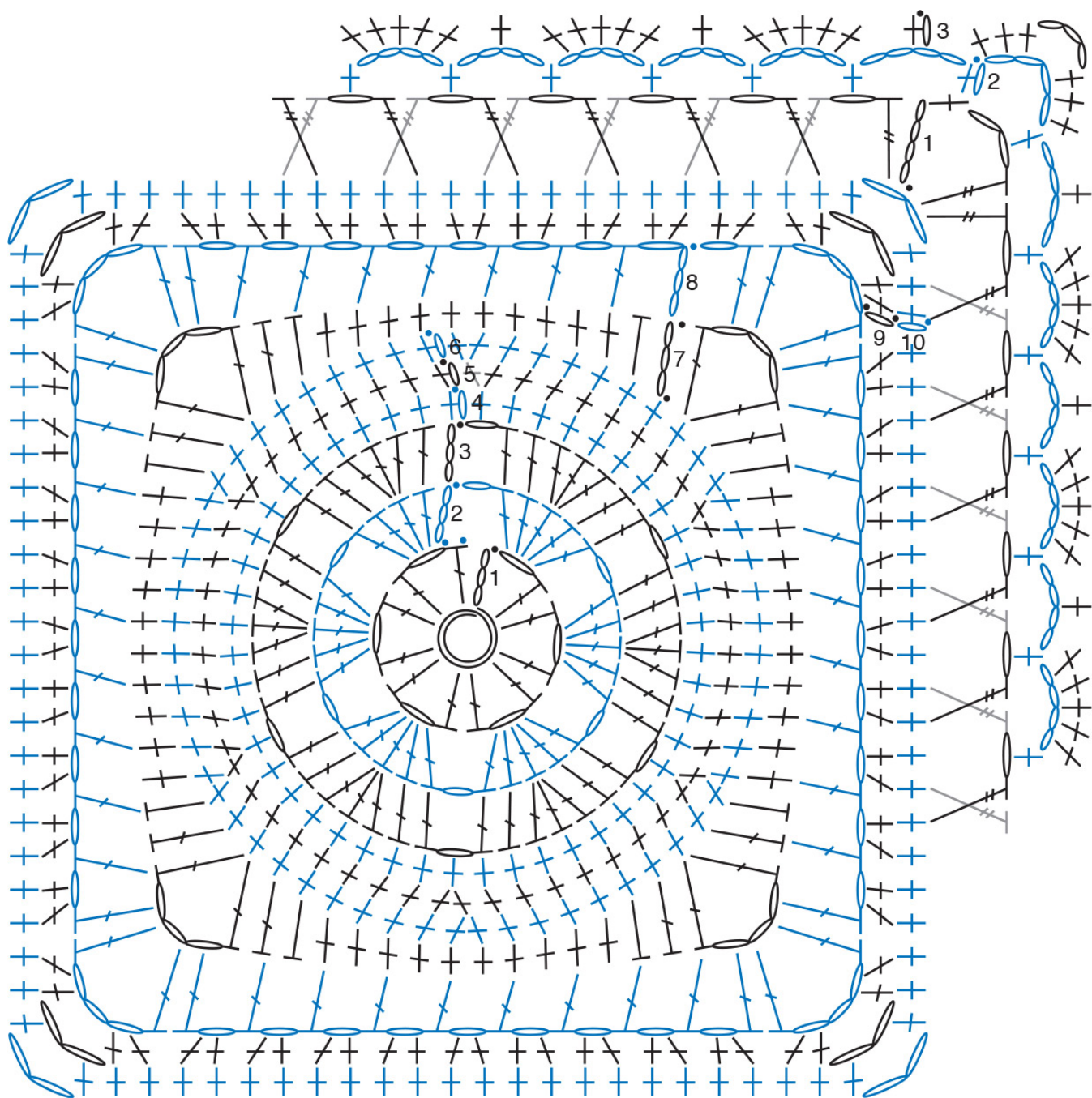
Note: Count joined corner and seam as 1 st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: Starting at top right corner, join yarn with a Sl st in corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), tr in same sp (half corner), *ch 1, skip next 2 sts, tr in next st, working over last tr, tr in last skipped st (cross tr made), rep from * across to next corner, ch 1**, (2 tr, ch 3, 2 tr) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 tr in same sp as joining, ch 1, hdc in top of beg ch-3 instead of last ch-3 sp.

RND 2: Ch 1, sc in same sp, *(ch 4, sc) in each ch-1 sp across to next corner, ch 4**, (sc, ch 4, sc) in next corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, sc in same corner ch-3 sp as joining, ch 4, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 3: Sl st in next ch-4 sp, ch 1, sc in first ch-4 sp, *[5 sc in next ch 4 sp, sc in next ch-4 sp] across to next corner, (3 sc, ch-3, 3 sc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, joining with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off.





BLANKET: 27

medallions

Starting the beginning of this square with a contrasting color gives the appearance of a little star in the center. This simple little trick gives this square a really different look.



Yarn:

Lion Brand LB Collection superwash merino, 100% superwash merino, 3.5 oz (100 g), 306 yd (280 m): 4 skeins #174 Spring Leaf (A), 2 skeins #107 Sky (B), and 2 skeins #098 Ivory (C)

Hook: F-5 (3.75 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 5" × 5" (12.5 × 12.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 44" × 44" (112 × 112 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Make 64 Watermelon squares (omitting seeds), using A for Rnds 1, 7, 8, 9, and 10; C for Rnds 2 and 3; and B for Rnds 4–6.

Join squares 8 squares wide by 8 squares long, using chain join (see [page 126](#)) from the WS.

EDGING

V-st: (Dc, ch 2, dc) in same st or sp.

Shell: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc).

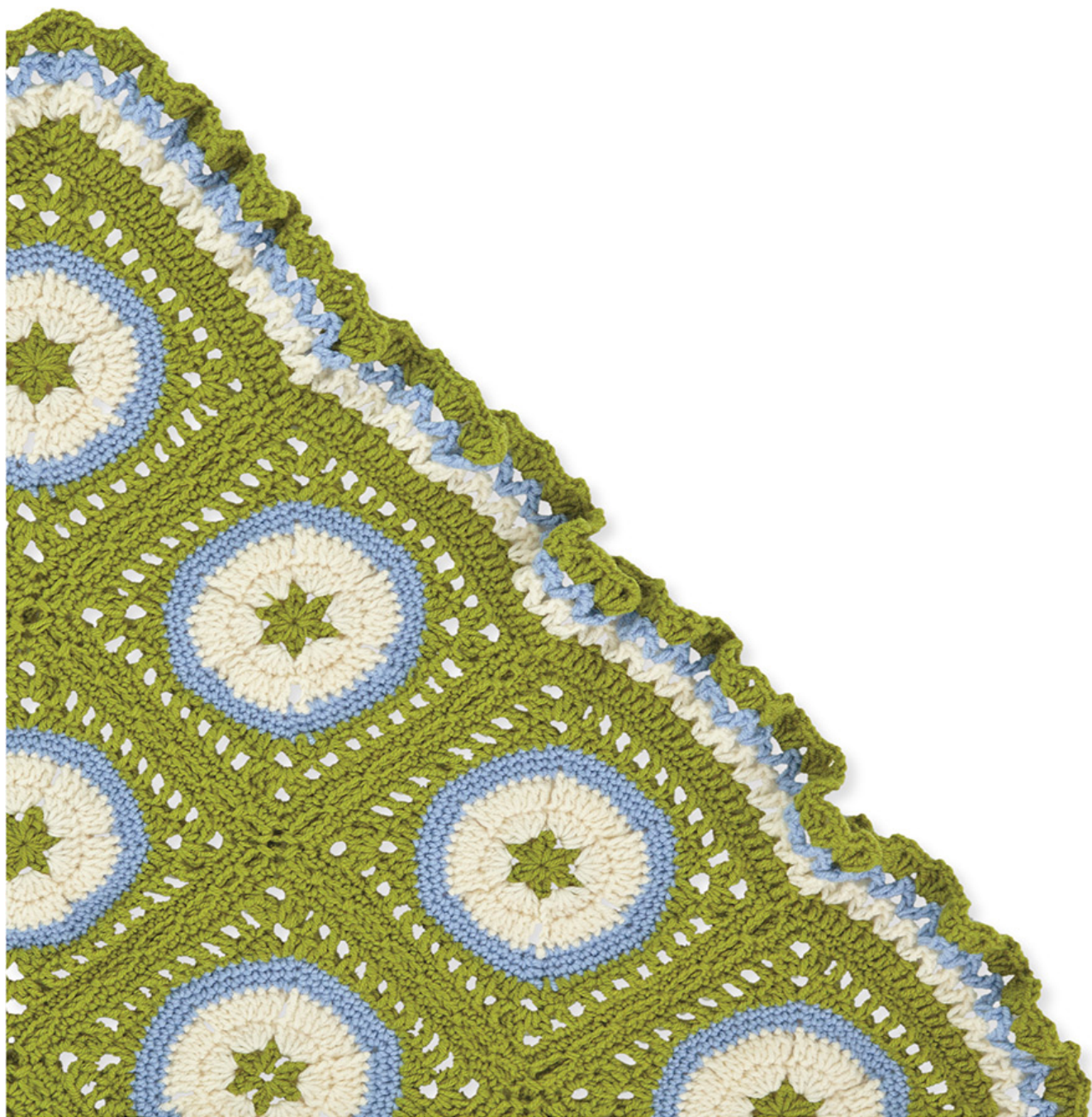
Note: Count each seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

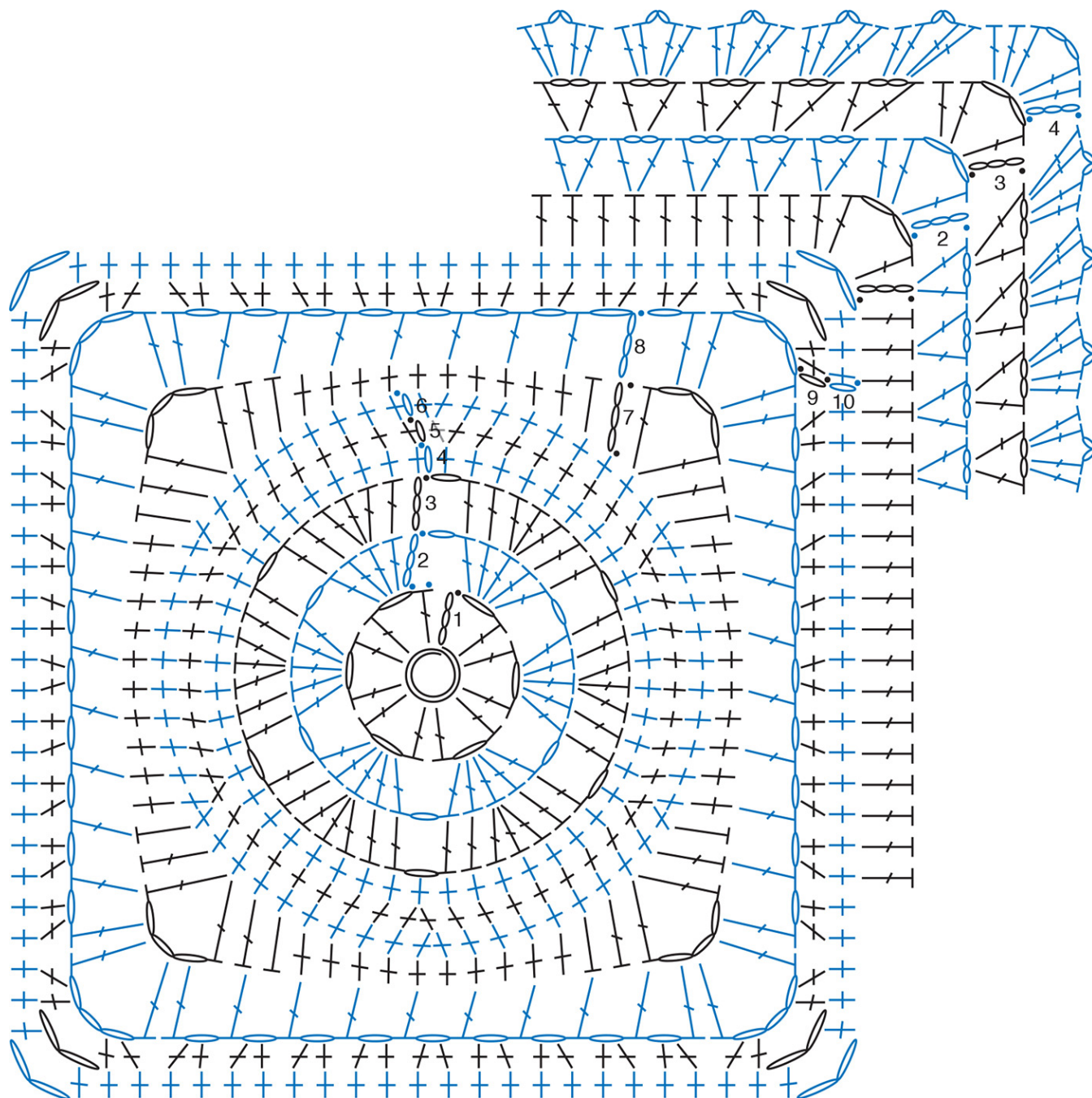
RND 1: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in top left-hand corner, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp (corner made), *dc in each st across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off A.

RND 2: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), dc in same sp (half corner made), *[sk next st, V-st in next st] across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3.

RND 3: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3, (dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same sp (corner), *V-st in each V-st across to next corner**, (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off B.

RND 4: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in any corner ch-2 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp (corner), *(2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in each V-st across to next corner**, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next corner ch-2 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same sp as joining, ch 2, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off.





SQUARE TEN

FLOWER GARDEN

Skill Level: Intermediate

Made with 2 colors: A and B.

With A, ch 6, join with a Sl st to form a ring.

RND 1: With A, work 20 sc in ring, join with a Sl st in first sc—20 sc.

RND 2: With A, ch 1, working in FL of sts, 1 sc in same st, *1 hdc in the next sc, (1 tr, 1 picot, 1 tr) in next sc, 1 hdc in next sc**, 1 sc in next sc, rep from * 3 times, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in first sc—5 petals. Fasten off A.

RND 3: With RS facing, working in remaining BL of sts in Rnd 1, join B in next sc, *ch 8, sk next 4 sts, Sl st in next sc, rep from * 3 times—4 ch-8 sps.

RND 4: With B, ch 1, work 16 sc in each ch-8 sp around, join with a Sl st in first sc—64 sc.

RND 5: With B, Sl st in next 3 sc, ch 4 (counts as 1 dc, ch 1), (1 dc, ch 1) in each of next 9 sc, sk next 6 sts, *(1 dc, ch 1) in each of next 10 sc, sk next 6 sc, rep from * twice, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-4. Fasten off B.

RND 6: With RS facing, join A in last ch-1 sp made, ch 1, sc in first st, *ch 6, sk next ch-1 sp**, 1 sc in next ch-1 sp, rep from * 18 times, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in first sc—20 ch-6 sps.

RND 7: With A, Sl st in next 2 ch sts of next ch-6 sp, ch 1, 1 sc in same sp, *(ch 6, 1 sc) in each of next 4 next ch-6 sps**, 1 sc in next ch-6 sp, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, join with a Sl st in first sc—16 ch-6 sps.

RND 8: With A, ch 1, sc in first sc, *4 sc in next ch-6 sp, 1 sc in next sc, 4 sc in next ch-6 sp, (1 dc ch 3, 1 dc) in next sc (corner), [4 sc in next ch-6 sp, 1 sc in next sc] twice**, sc in each of next 2 sc, rep from * twice, rep from * to ** once, sc in next sc, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off A.

BLANKET: 28

dutch tile

I combined two squares, Flower Garden and Lacy Bee Balm, for this lovely baby blanket. Combining different squares is fun to do, but requires testing gauge carefully and sometimes changing the last row of some squares so that stitches match.



Yarn:

Lion Brand LB Collection superwash merino, 100% superwash merino, 3.5 oz (100 g), 306 yd (280 m): 4 skeins #098 Ivory (A), 1 skein #107 Sky (B), and 1 skein #174 Spring Leaf (C)

Hook: H-8 (5 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 6" × 6" (15 × 15 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 38" × 38" (96.5 × 96.5 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Note: In order to make the two squares match, the last round of each square will be worked as designated below.

Square A: Make 13 Flower Garden squares, using A for Rnds 1, 2, 6, and 7 and C for Rnds 3–5.

RND 8: With A, Sl st in next ch-6 sp, ch 1, *5 sc in ch-6 sp, sc in next sc, 6 sc in next ch-6 sp, (dc, ch 3, dc) in next sc (corner), 5 sc in next ch-6 sp, sc in next sc, 6 sc in next ch-6 sp, sc2tog over next 2 sc, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc—27 sts on each side, 4 corner ch-3 sps. Fasten off.

Square B: Make 12 Lacy Bee Balm squares, using A for Rnds 1, 2, 3, and 6 and B for Rnds 4 and 5.

RND 7: Ch 1, sc in first st, *[3 sc in next ch- 3 sp, sc in next st] 5 times, (3 sc, ch 3, 3 sc) in next corner ch-3 sp**, sc in next dc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in first sc—27 sts on each side, 4 corner ch-3 sps. Fasten off.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, 5 squares wide by 5 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram for placement.

A	B	A	B	A
B	A	B	A	B
A	B	A	B	A
B	A	B	A	B
A	B	A	B	A

EDGING

V-st: (Dc, ch 2, dc) in same st or sp.

Shell: (2 dc, ch 2, 2 dc) in same st or sp.

Note: Count each joined ch-3 sp and 2 seams on each side as sts when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join A with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, *[sc in each st across to next joined corner, sc in joined corner, sc in next seam, sc in next joined corner, sc in each st across to next joined corner, sc in joined corner, sk next seam, sc in next joined corner] twice, (sc, ch 3, sc) in corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc—147 sc on each side, 4 corner ch-3 sps.

RND 2: Ch 5 (counts as dc, ch 2 here and throughout), dc in same sc (V-st made), *[sk next 2 sc, shell in next sc, sk next 2 sc, V-st in next st] across to next corner, sk next 2 sc, (2 dc, ch 3, 2 dc) in corner ch-3 sp**, sk next 2 sc, V-st in next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5.

RND 3: Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 5, dc in same sp (V-st made), [shell in ch-2 sp of next shell, *V-st in ch-2 sp of next V-st] across to last V-st, ch 1, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, skip next 2 dc**, V-st in ch-2 sp of next V-st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5.

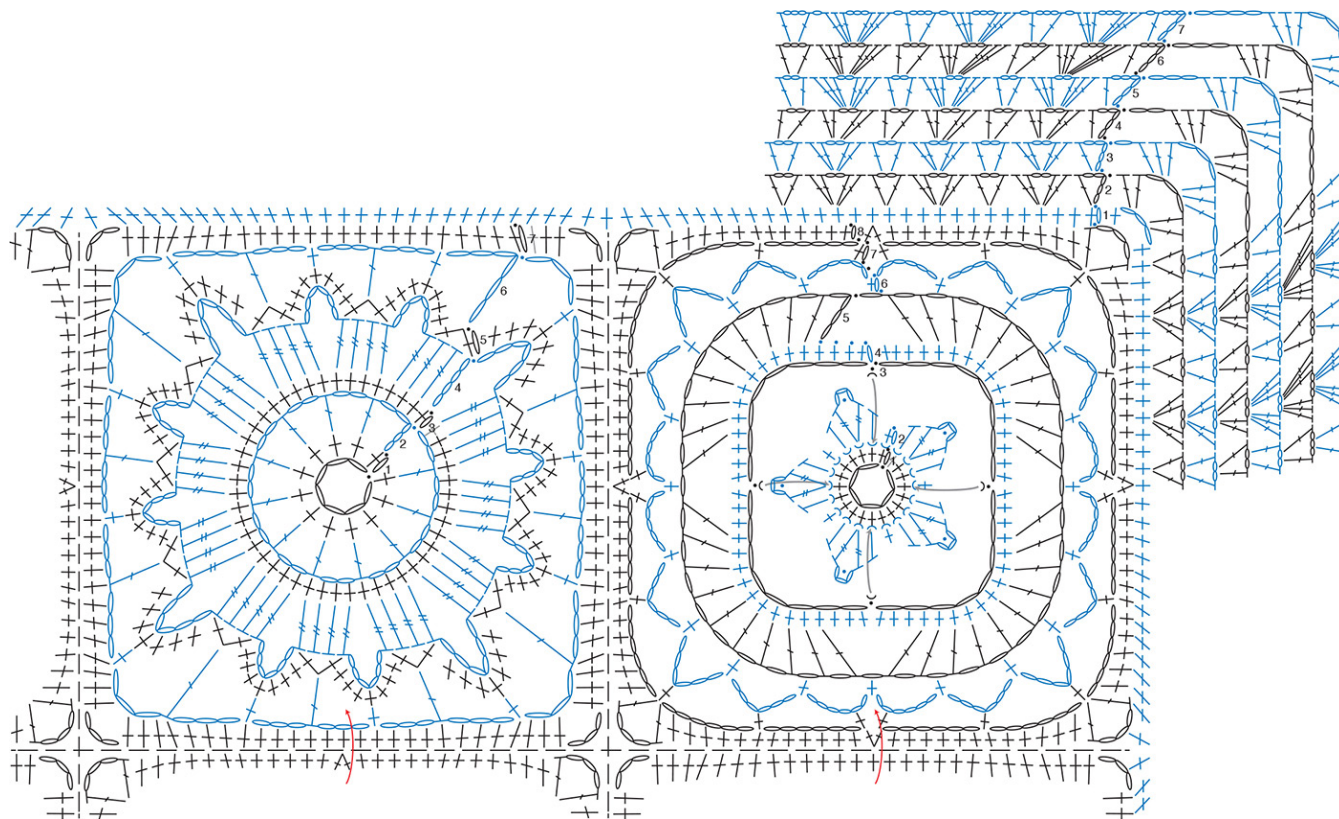
RND 4: Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 5, dc in same sp (V-st made), *[shell in ch-2 sp of next shell, V-st in ch-2 sp of next V-st] across to last V-st, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 2, sk next ch-1 sp**, V-st in ch-2 sp of next V-st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-5.

RND 5: Sl st in next ch-2 sp, ch 6 (counts as dc, ch 3 here and throughout), dc in same sp, *[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in ch-2 sp of next shell, V-st in ch-2 sp of next V-st] across to next corner, ch 3, sk next ch-2 sp, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-2 sp**, V-st in ch-2 sp of next V-st, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6.

RND 6: Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 6, dc in same sp, *[(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, (dc, ch 3, dc) in ch-2 sp of next V-st] across to next corner, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 3, sk next ch-3 sp**, (dc, ch 3, dc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6.

RND 7: Sl st in next ch-3 sp, ch 6, dc in same sp, *[ch 1, (3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-3 sp, ch 1, (dc, ch 3, dc) in ch-2 sp of next V-st] across to next corner, ch 4, sk next ch-3 sp, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, ch 4, sk next ch-3 sp**, (dc, ch 3, dc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, join with a Sl st in 3rd ch of beg ch-6. Fasten off.





nikki's garden

Pastel flowers, blooming on a bed of vibrant lilac, with little flower buds marching along the edges, combine to make an enchanting blanket that any little girl would be thrilled to receive.



Yarn:

Cascade Avalon, 50% cotton/50% acrylic, 3.5 oz (100 g), 175 yd (160 m): 5 skeins #24 Lavendula (A), 2 skeins #23 Crown Jewel (B), 1 skein #16 Blue Radiance (C), 1 skein #11 Mellow Yellow (D), 1 skein #25 Georgia Peach (E), and 1 skein #12 Opaline Green (F)

Hook: G-6 (4 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 6" × 6" (15 × 15 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 34" × 40" (86.5 × 101.5 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Make 30 Flower Garden squares, changing Rnds 1 and 2 only and using A for Rnds 3–8 for all squares.

Square A: Make 9 squares using D for Rnds 1 and 2.

Square B: Make 9 squares using C for Rnds 1 and 2.

Square C: Make 6 squares using E for Rnds 1 and 2.

Square D: Make 6 squares using F for Rnds 1 and 2.

ASSEMBLY

Join squares into a rectangle, 5 squares wide by 6 squares long, using weave seam (see [page 125](#)), following Assembly Diagram.

B	C	B	C	B
A	D	A	D	A
B	C	B	C	B
A	D	A	D	A
B	C	B	C	B
A	D	A	D	A

EDGING

Long single crochet (long sc): Insert hook from front to back in next corresponding st 2 rnds below, yo, draw yarn through st, yo, draw yarn through 2 lps on hook.

Note: Count each joined ch-3 sp and each seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp to work across short edge of afghan, ch 1, 2 sc in same sp (half corner), *sc in each st across to next corner**, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in next corner ch-3 sp (corner), rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 1, hdc in first sc instead of last ch-3 sp—122 sc on each short side, 146 sc on each long side.

RND 2: Ch 1, 2 sc in same sp, sk next sc, *sc in each sc across to 1 st before next corner, sk next st**, (2 sc, ch-3, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off B.

RND 3 (LEAF RND): With RS facing, join F with a Sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, 2 sc in same sp (half corner), sk next sc, **sc in each of next 10 sc, *([sc, ch 8] 3 times, sc) in next sc (leaf cluster made), sc in each of next 8 sc, rep from * across, ending with sc in each rem sts across to 1 st before next corner, sk next st***, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in next corner ch-3 sp, sk next st, rep from ** around, ending last rep at ***, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off B.

RND 4: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in any corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, 2 sc in same sp, sk next sc, sc in each of next 11 sc, *holding ch-8 lps to front, ch 1, sk next 3 lps, sk next sc of leaf cluster, 1 sc in each of next 8 sc, rep from * across, ending with sc in each rem st to 1 st before next corner, sk next st**, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in next corner ch-3 sp, sk next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 1, hdc in first sc instead of last ch-3 sp.

RND 5: Ch 1, 2 sc in same sp, sk next sc, *sc in each ch-1 sp across to 1 st before next corner, sk next st**, (2 sc, ch-3, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 6: Ch 1, 2 sc in same sp, sk next sc, *sc in each sc across to 1 st before next corner, sk next st**, (2 sc, ch-3, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off B.

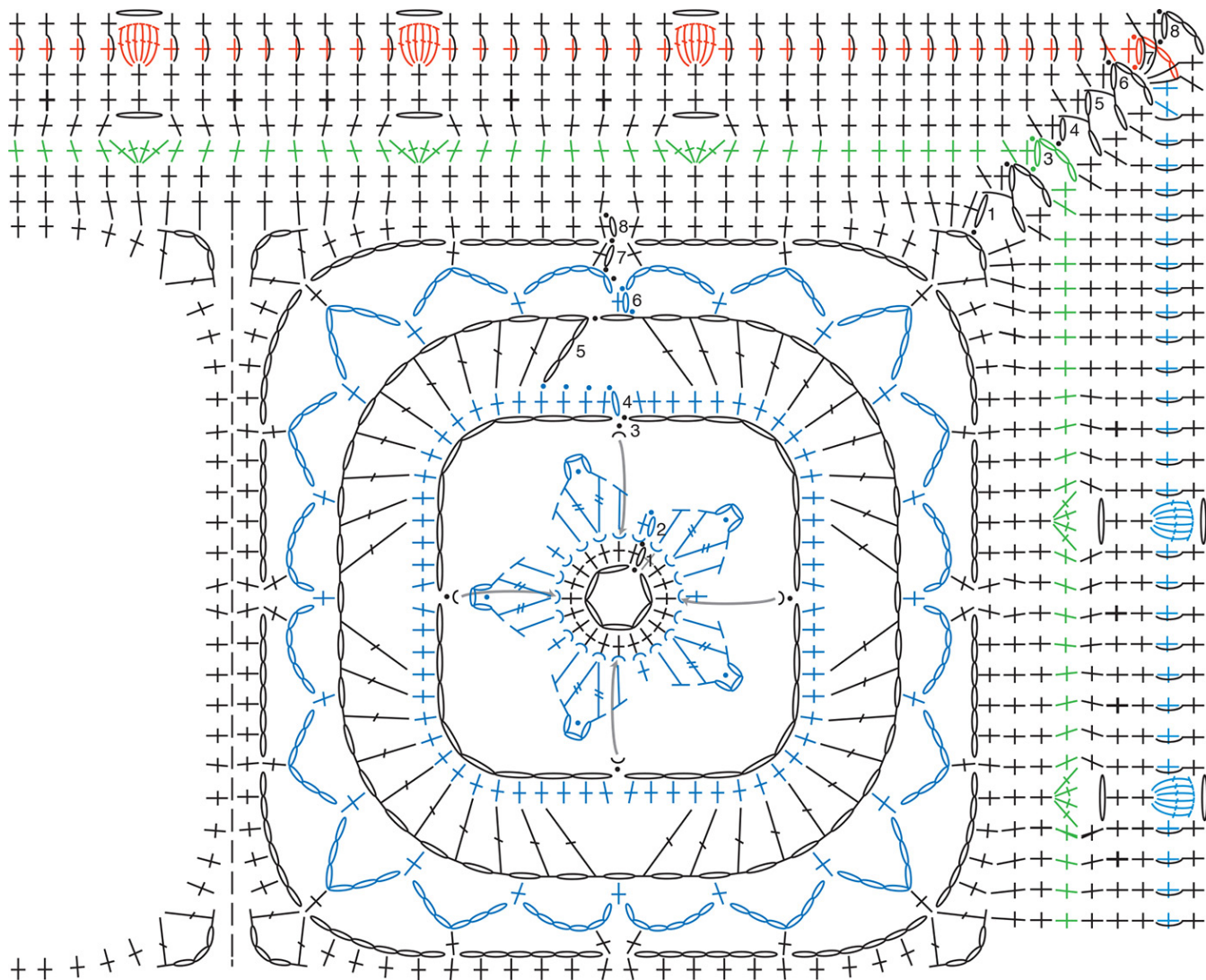
Note: On Rnd 7 (Flower Rnd), use E on top and bottom edges, D on left side edge, and E on right side edge for CC.

RND 7: (Flower Rnd): With RS facing, join CC with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, 2 sc in same sp (half corner), *sk next sc, sc in each of next 14 sc, [working through center ch-8 lp from Rnd 3, work 6 dc in next sc (flower made), sc in each of the next 8 sc] across, ending with sc in each rem st

to 1 st before next corner, sk next st**, (2 sc, ch 3, 2 sc) in next ch-3 sp, sk next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 sc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off CC.

RND 8: With RS facing, join B with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 1, working over sts in Rnd 7, 2 long sc in corner ch-3 sp in Rnd 7 (half corner), sk next sc, *[long sc in each sc across to next flower, ch 1, sk next 6 dc] across, ending with long sc in each rem st to 1 st before next corner, sk next st**, (2 long sc, ch 3, 2 long sc) in next ch-3 sp in Rnd 7, sk next sc, rep from * around, ending last rep at **, 2 long sc in same sp as joining, ch 3, join with a Sl st in first sc. Fasten off B.





BLANKET: 30

bouquet

This delightful little baby blanket in cheery bright colors can also be used as a lap robe. The yarn is a washable wool, so it is as warm and practical as it is pretty.



Yarn:

Cascade 220 superwash, 100% washable wool, 3.5 oz (100 g), 220 yd (200 m): 3 skeins #887 Wasabi (A), 3 skeins #825 Orange (B), and 3 skeins #901 Cotton Candy (C)

Hook: F-5 (3.75 mm)

Gauge: 1 square = 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" (11.5 x 11.5 cm)

Finished Size: Approximately 39" x 39" (99 x 99 cm)

Skill Level: Intermediate

SQUARES

Square A: Make 32 Flower Garden squares using C for Rnds 1 and 2, A for Rnds 3–5, and B for Rnds 6–8.

Square B: Make 32 Flower Garden squares using B for Rnds 1 and 2, A for Rnds 3–5, and C for Rnds 6–8.

ASSEMBLY

Sew squares together, 8 squares wide by 8 squares long, using whipstitch seam (see [page 125](#)) on WS, following Assembly Diagram for placement.

A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A
A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
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EDGING

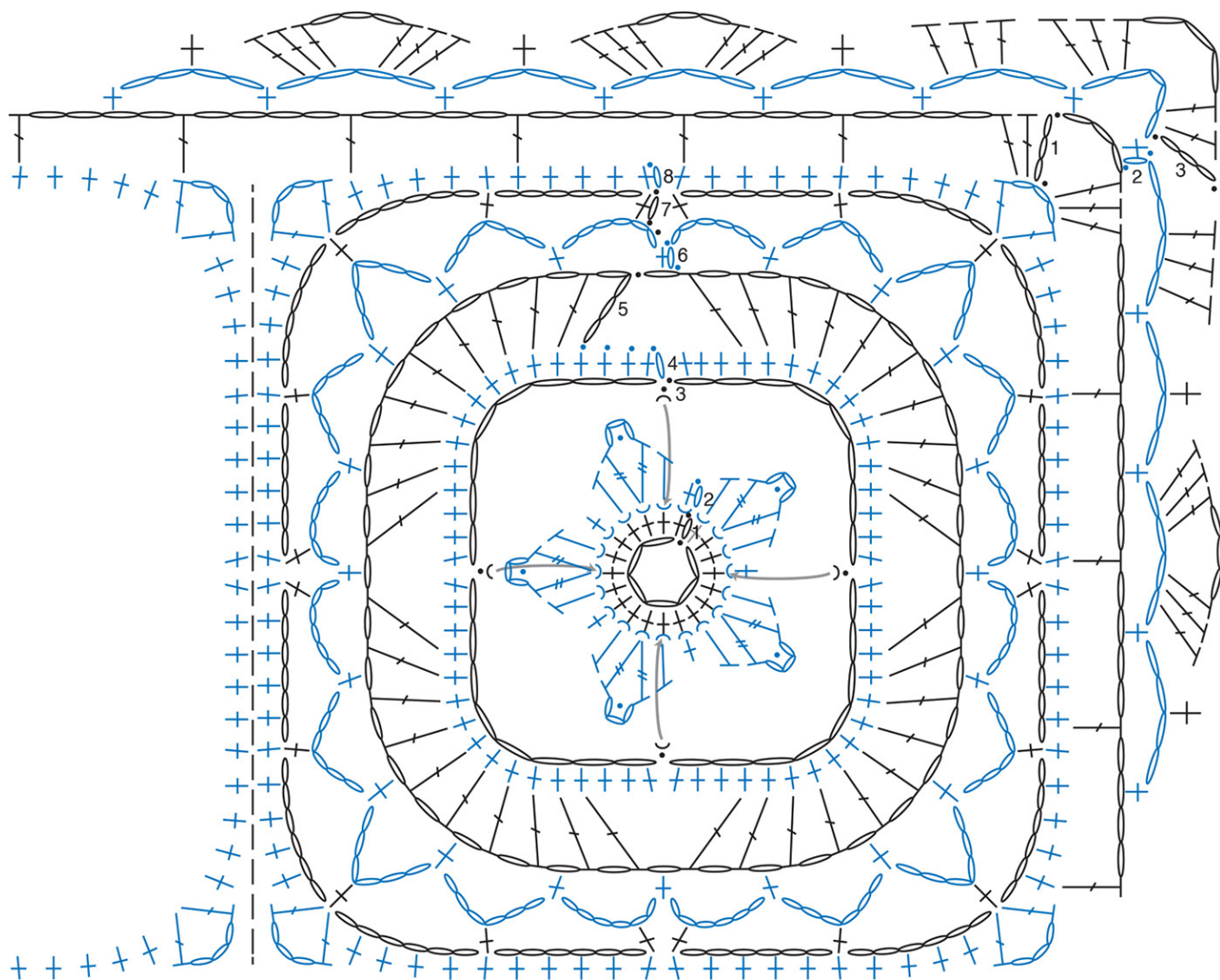
Note: Count each joined ch-3 sp and each seam as a st when working Rnd 1 of Edging.

RND 1: With RS facing, join C with a Sl st in top right-hand corner ch-3 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc here and throughout), 2 dc in same space (half corner), *[ch 4, sk next 4 sts, dc in next st] across to next corner, omitting last dc, ch 4, sk last 5 sts**, (3 dc, ch-3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-3 space, repeat from * around, ending last rep at **, 3 dc in same sp as joining, ch-1, hdc in top of beg ch-3 instead of last ch-3 sp.

RND 2: Ch 1, *(sc, ch 5, sc) in corner sp (corner made), ch 4, (sc, ch 4) in each ch-4 sp across to next corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, join with a Sl st in first sc.

RND 3: Sl st in first ch-5 sp, ch 3, (2 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in same sp (corner made), 3 dc in next ch-4 space, sc in next ch-4 sp, *(3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next ch-4 sp, sc in next ch-4 sp, rep from * across to one ch-4 space before next corner, 3 dc in next ch-4 sp**, (3 dc, ch 3, 3 dc) in next corner ch-3 sp, rep from * around, ending last repeat at **, join with a Sl st in top of beg ch-3. Fasten off.

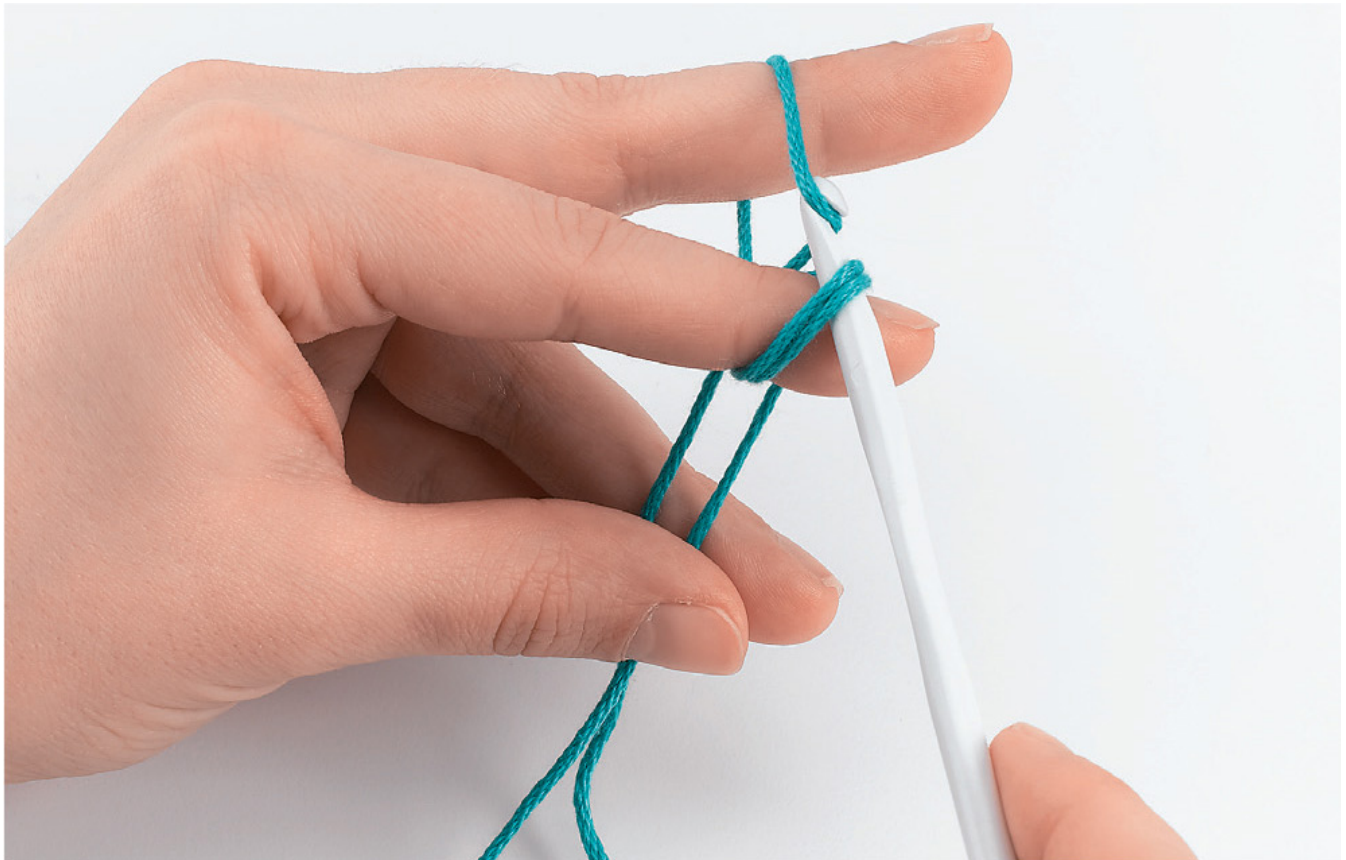




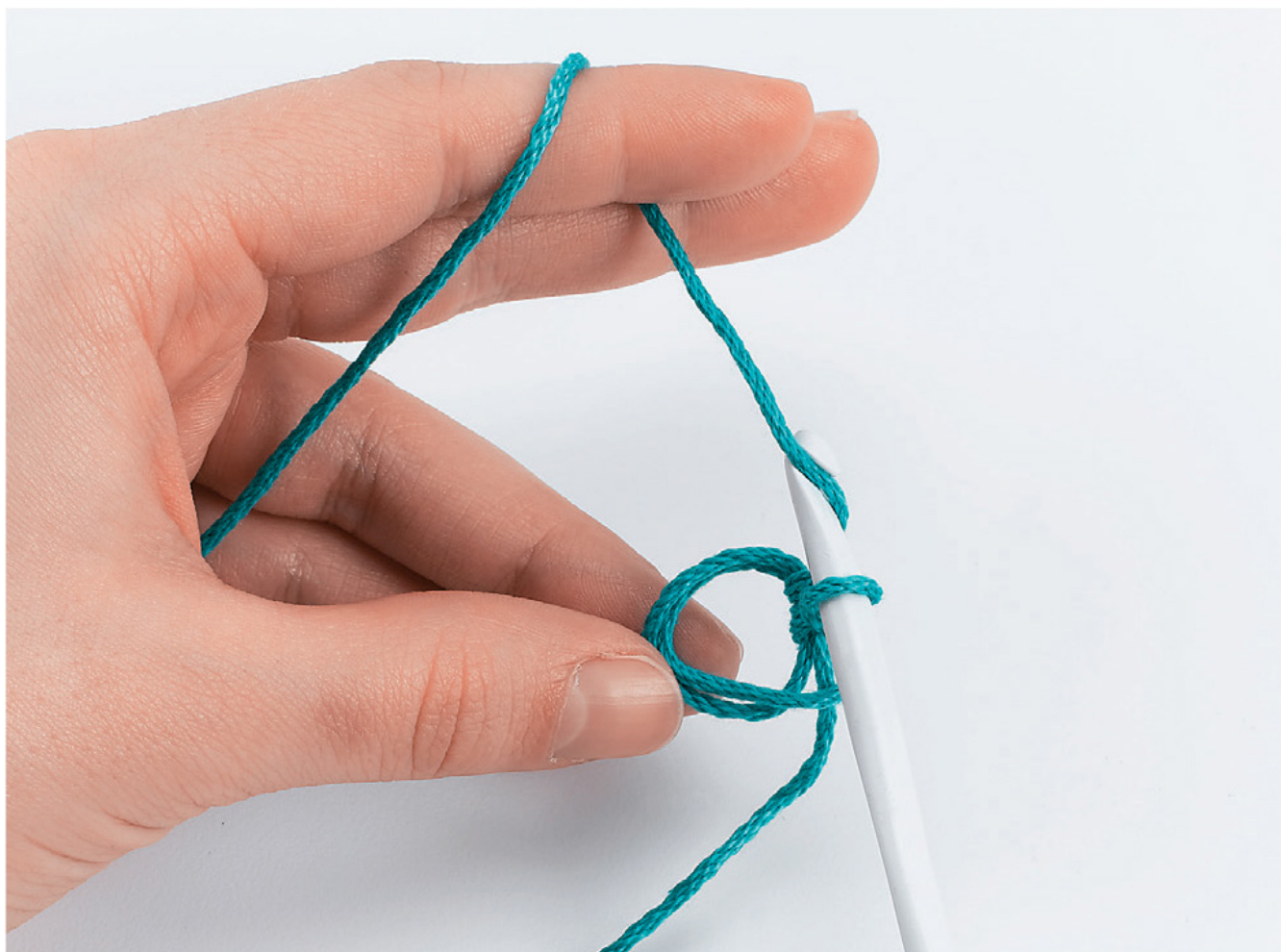
TECHNIQUES

Adjustable Loop

Most granny squares are worked in rounds, beginning with a center ring. This method for making the center ring, sometimes referred to as magic ring or sliding loop, allows you to pull the ring tightly closed.



1. Wrap the yarn clockwise around your index finger twice, leaving a 6" (15.2) tail. Holding the tail between your thumb and a finger, slide the hook under the wraps and catch the working yarn.



2. Pull the working yarn through the ring, and chain the designated number of stitches.



3. Work additional stitches into the two loops of the ring, keeping the tail free. Before joining the round, pull on the tail a little; one loop will tighten slightly. Pull on that loop, which will tighten the other loop.



4. Then pull the tail, which will tighten the remaining loop.

Seams

Once you have crocheted all the granny squares for a project, you join them into one large piece using one of several methods. For some methods you sew seams with yarn and a tapestry needle. For other methods, you use a crochet hook. Some might consider this final step of a project to be a chore, but to me, the rhythm of hand sewing is soothing and relaxing.

WHIPSTITCH SEAM

The whipstitch seam works best for sewing straight-edged seams. This method creates a little decorative ridge on the right side of the work. Place two squares side by side, wrong side up, aligning the stitches of the outer round. Insert the needle through the top loops of corresponding stitches, bring through and around, and repeat.



wrong side



right side

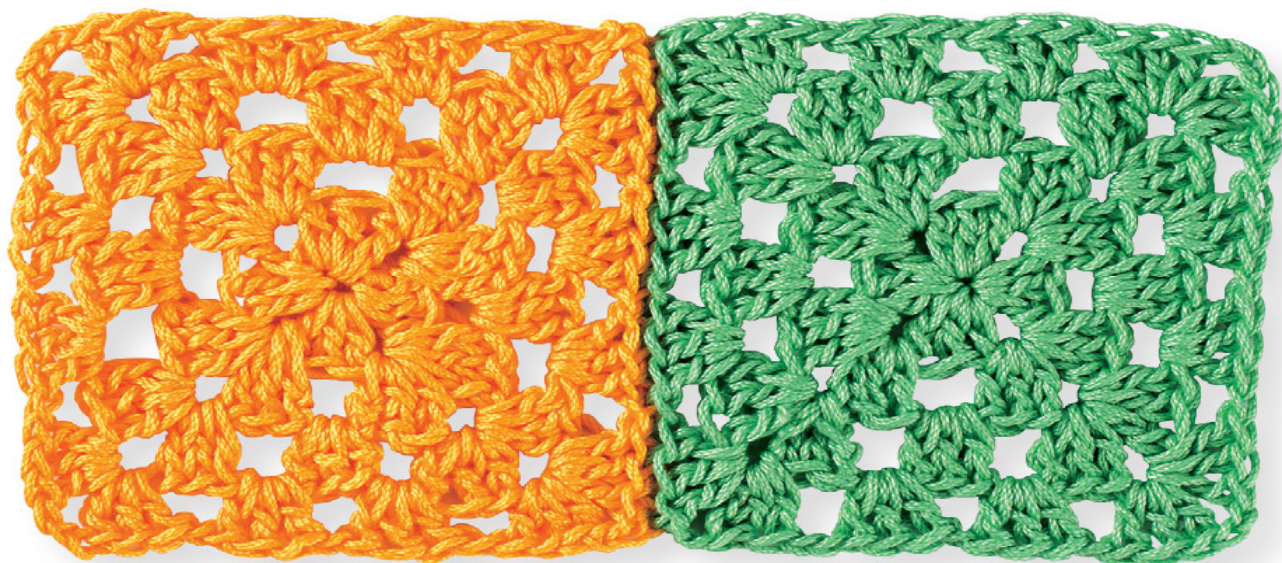
WEAVE SEAM

I use this join when I want a really flat seam. Hold pieces to be seamed side by side and, working from the wrong side, insert needle from front to back, through one loop only, draw through, progress to next

stitch, bring needle from back to front (not over), and proceed in this manner until seam is completed. If you draw through top loop only, a decorative ridge will be left on the right side of the work. If you draw through bottom loops, the ridge will be on the back of the work.



wrong side



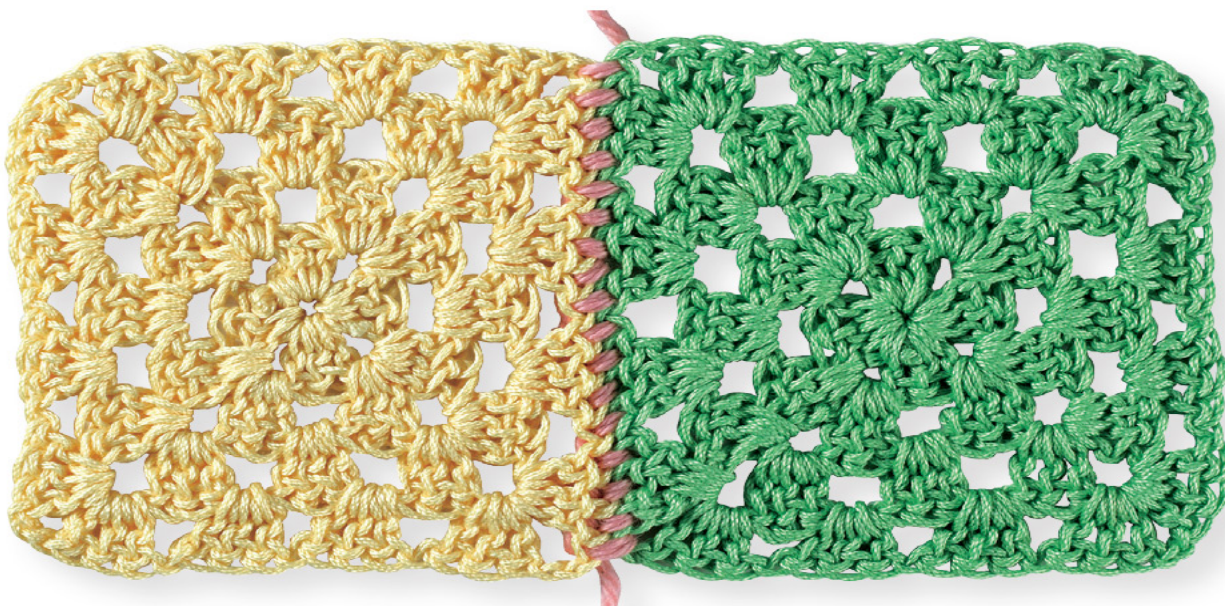
right side

SINGLE CROCHET SEAM

The single crochet seam creates a decorative ridge. Holding the pieces wrong sides together, work single crochet through the whole stitch on both motifs.



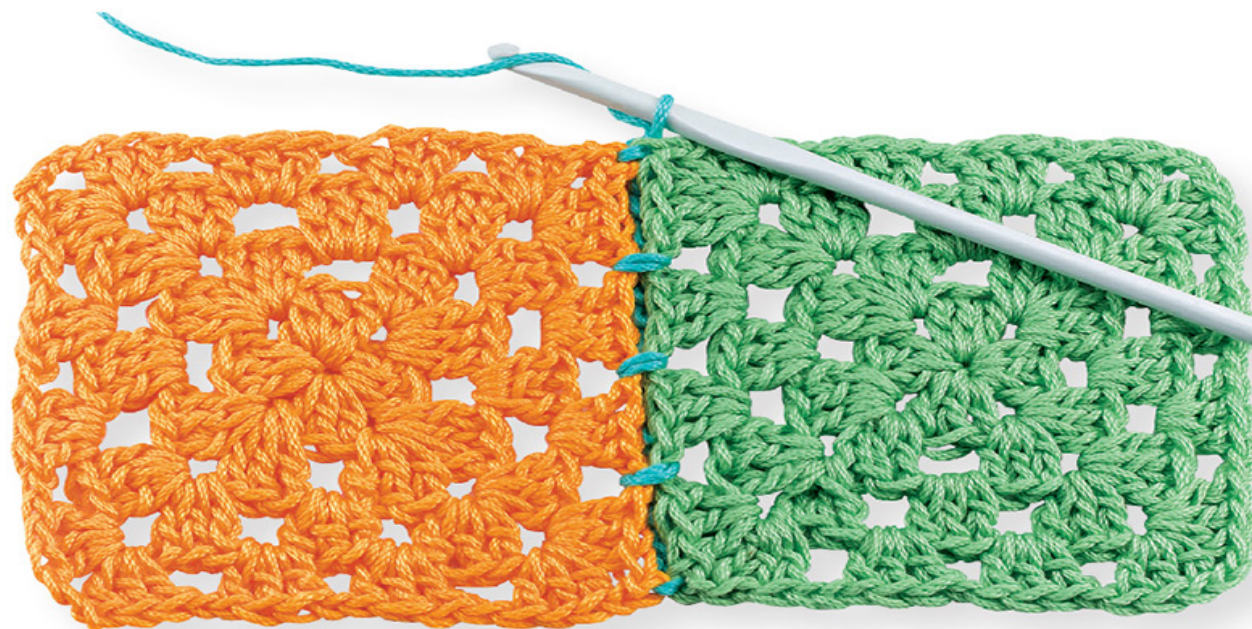
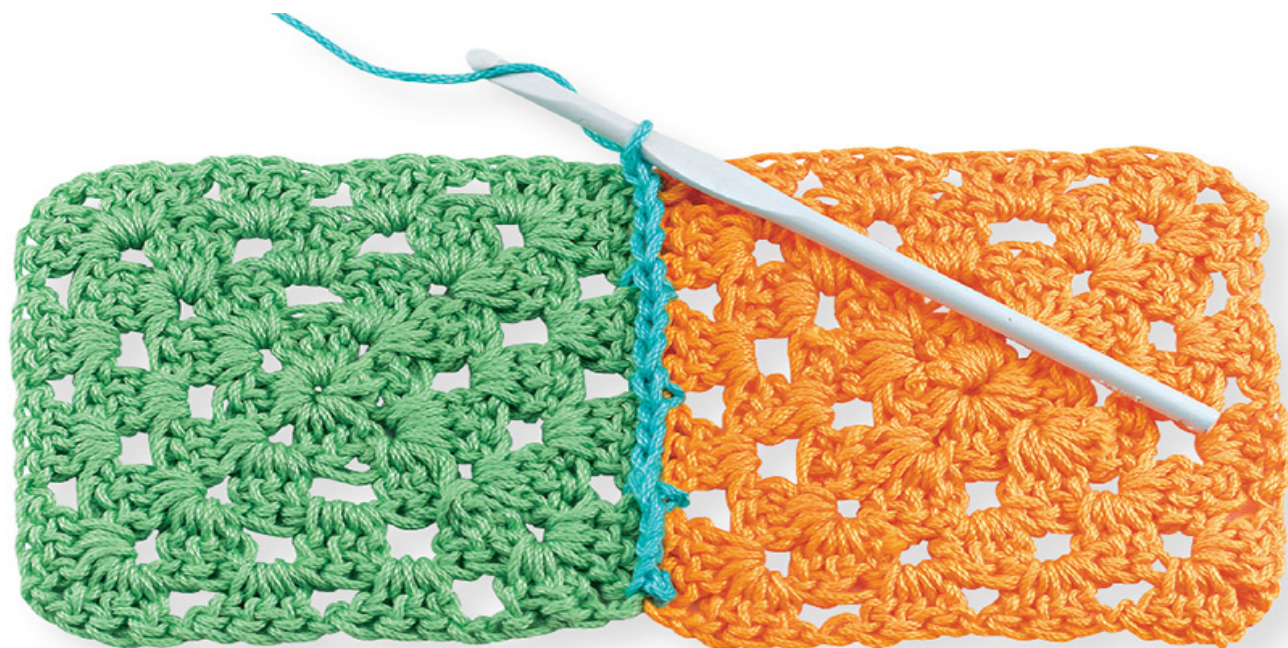
right side



wrong side

CHAIN JOIN

When the outer rounds of your squares have open spaces, you can join pieces with a stitch pattern that suits the spacing. This decorative join can be worked from either side. Place the pieces right sides together (or wrong sides together), aligning the stitches. Join yarn in one corner through both layers. *Chain 3, skip 3, single crochet through spaces of both layers, repeat from *.



Blocking

When your blanket is assembled and you have applied the edging or border, give it a professional finish by blocking it. Blocking restores balance to any squares that may be slightly misshapen. It sets the stitches and improves the drape of the blanket. I blocked all of the blankets in the same way.

1. Lay the blanket on a padded surface, such as clean carpet or a bed mattress. Use a tape measure, measuring stick, or carpenter's square to make sure the dimensions are accurate and the corners are square.
2. Spritz the blanket with water using a spray bottle. Pat the squares into shape, working row by row.
3. Pin along the edges and at seam intersections, using rust-proof pins.
4. Allow the blanket to dry completely before removing the pins.

ABBREVIATIONS

Here is the list of standard abbreviations used for crochet.

approx	approximately
beg	begin/beginning
bet	between
BL	back loop(s)
bo	bobble
BP	back post
BPdc	back post double crochet
BPsc	back post single crochet
CC	contrasting color
ch	chain
ch-	refers to chain or space previously made, e.g., ch-1 space
ch lp	chain loop
ch-sp	chain space
CL	cluster(s)
cm	centimeter(s)
cont	continue
dc	double crochet
dc2tog	double crochet 2 stitches together
dec	decrease/decreases/decreasing
dtr	double triple
FL	front loop(s)
foll	follow/follows/following
FP	front post
FPdc	front post double crochet
FPsc	front post single crochet
g	gram(s)
hdc	half double crochet
inc	increase/increases/increasing
lp(s)	loop(s)
Lsc	long single crochet

m	meter(s)
MC	main color
mm	millimeter(s)
oz	ounce(s)
p	picot
patt	pattern
pc	popcorn
pm	place marker
prev	previous
rem	remain/remaining
rep	repeat(s)
rev sc	reverse single crochet
rnd(s)	round(s)
RS	right side(s)
sc	single crochet
sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together
sk	skip
Sl st	slip stitch
sp(s)	space(s)
st(s)	stitch(es)
tbl	through back loop(s)
tch	turning chain
tfl	through front loop(s)
tog	together
tr	triple crochet
tr2tog	triple crochet 2 stitches together
WS	wrong side(s)
yd	yard(s)
yo	yarn over
[]	Work instructions within brackets as many times as directed
()	Work instructions within parentheses as many times as directed
*	Repeat instructions following the single asterisk as directed
**	Repeat instructions between asterisks as many times as directed or repeat from a given set of instructions

DIAGRAM SYMBOLS



= chain (ch)



= slip st (Sl st)



= single crochet (sc)



= half double crochet (hdc)



= double crochet (dc)



= triple crochet (tr)



= double triple crochet (dtr)

= long single crochet



= reverse sc

= front post double crochet (FPdc)

= front post triple crochet (FPtr)

or



= V-st



= crossed tr



= sc2tog



= 2-dc cluster



= 3-dc cluster



= cluster



= puff st, bobble



= tr2tog



= tr3tog



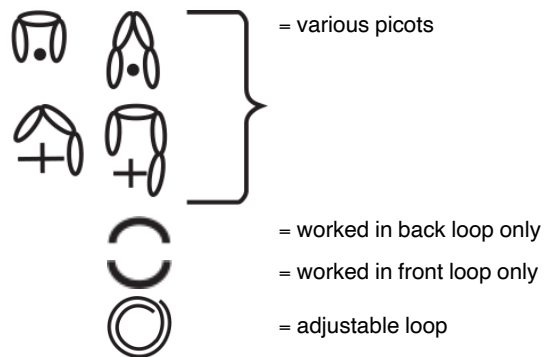
= dtr2tog



= dtr3tog



= side puff



TERM CONVERSIONS

Crochet techniques are the same universally, and everyone uses the same terms. However, U.S. patterns and UK patterns are different because the terms denote different stitches. Here is a conversion chart to explain the differences.

U.S.	UK
single crochet (sc)	double crochet (dc)
half double crochet (hdc)	half triple (htr)
double crochet (dc)	triple (tr)
triple crochet (tr)	double triple (dtr)

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